

# GHR SST-PP

*GODAE High Resolution Sea Surface Temperature  
Pilot Project*

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GHR SST-PP Home Page <http://www.ghrsst-pp.org>

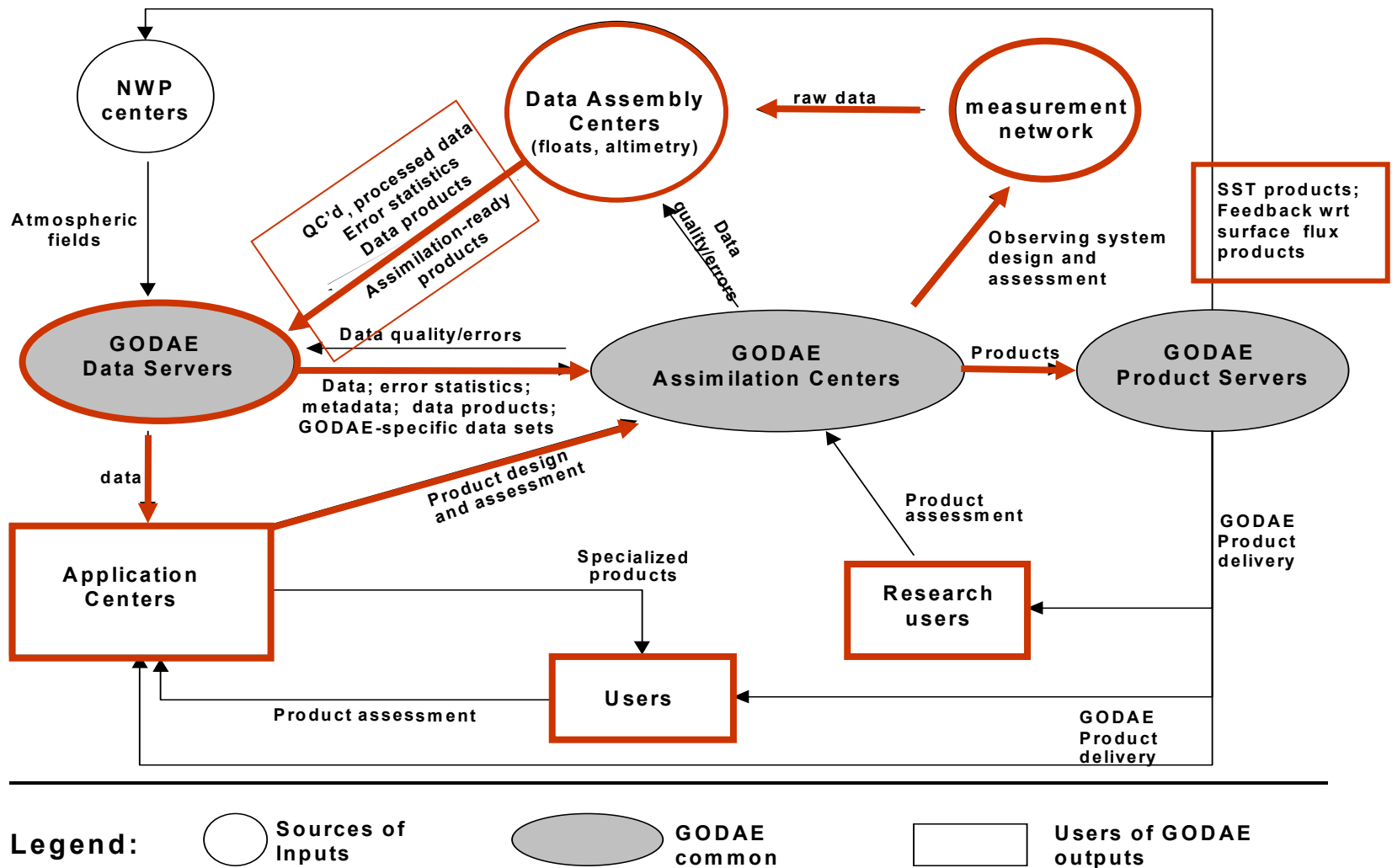
# Overview

- ④ **Summary of the GHR SST-PP**
- ④ **Developments since IGST-VI: New sensors, Workshops, ideas and documents**
- ④ **Implementation of the GHR SST-PP Strategy: Turning the vision into reality**
- ④ **ISDI-Data processing model: Making sense of it all**
- ④ **Status of regional projects and funding**
- ④ **Summary and conclusions**

# GHRST-PP Summary (1/5)

- ② GODAE requires global high-resolution sea surface temperature in near real-time for assimilation into ocean models.
- ② Major issues are the **errors relating to uncertainty** in:
  - Atmospheric transmission models
    - not covered as we are dealing with L2 data sets
  - **Cloud contamination** in IR data sets
  - Atmospheric **aerosol contamination**
  - **Sea Ice** extent and SST in the marginal ice zone
  - Aliasing of **diurnal variation**
  - Instrument stability and **calibration**
  - and the **interpretation** of in situ SST relative to the skin and sub-skin measurements provided by satellites.

# GHR SST-PP Summary (2/5)

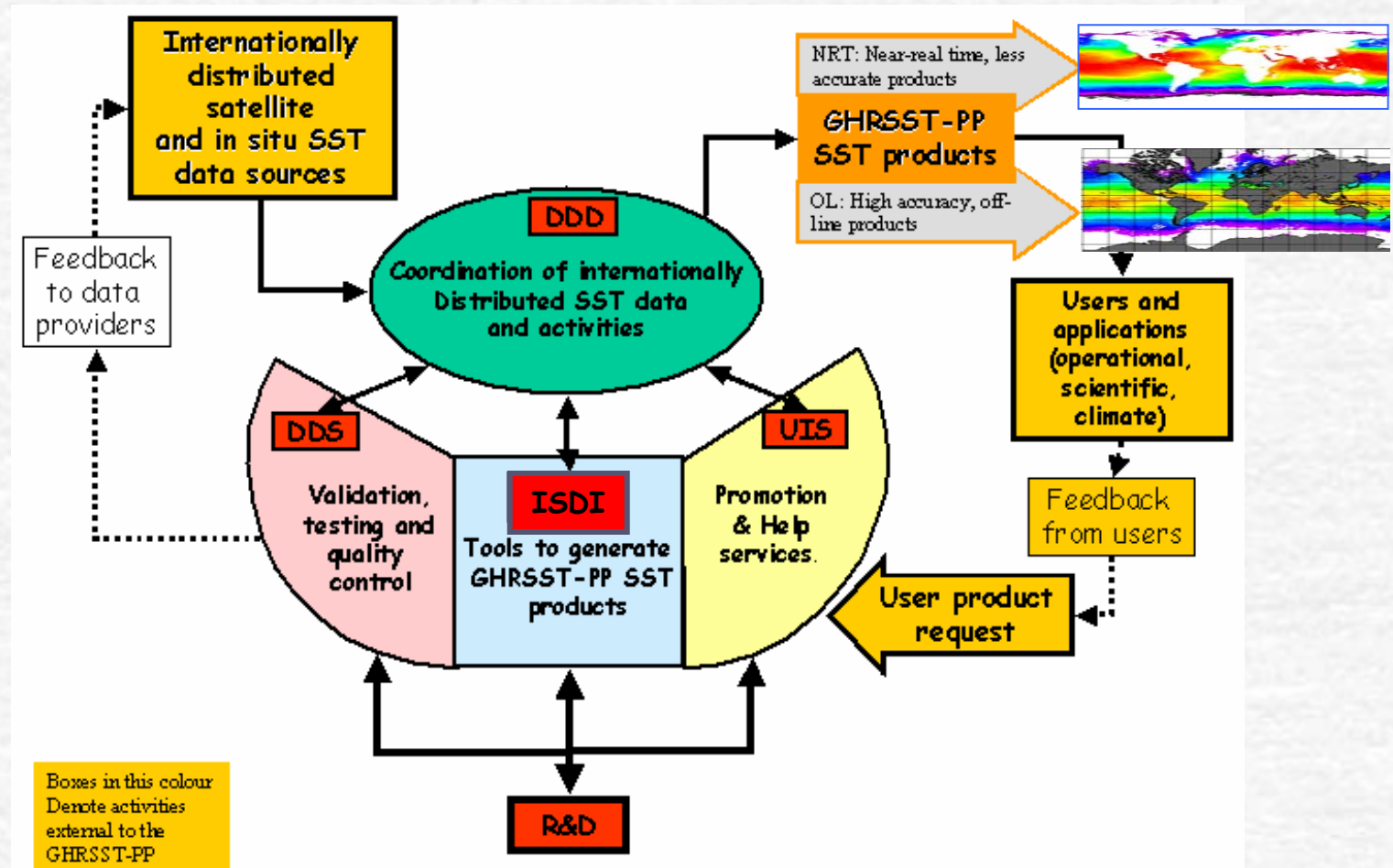




# Summary (3/5): GHR SST-PP Strategic themes

- ④ **Theme I:** Specification and delivery mechanism of SST products required by different users and diverse applications.
- ④ **Theme II:** Characterisation and identification of differences between SST fields derived from existing satellite and in situ data sources.
- ④ **Theme III:** Targeted research and development for SST data integration.
- ④ **Theme IV:** Generation of new improved, multi-sensor, SST products through integration and assimilation.

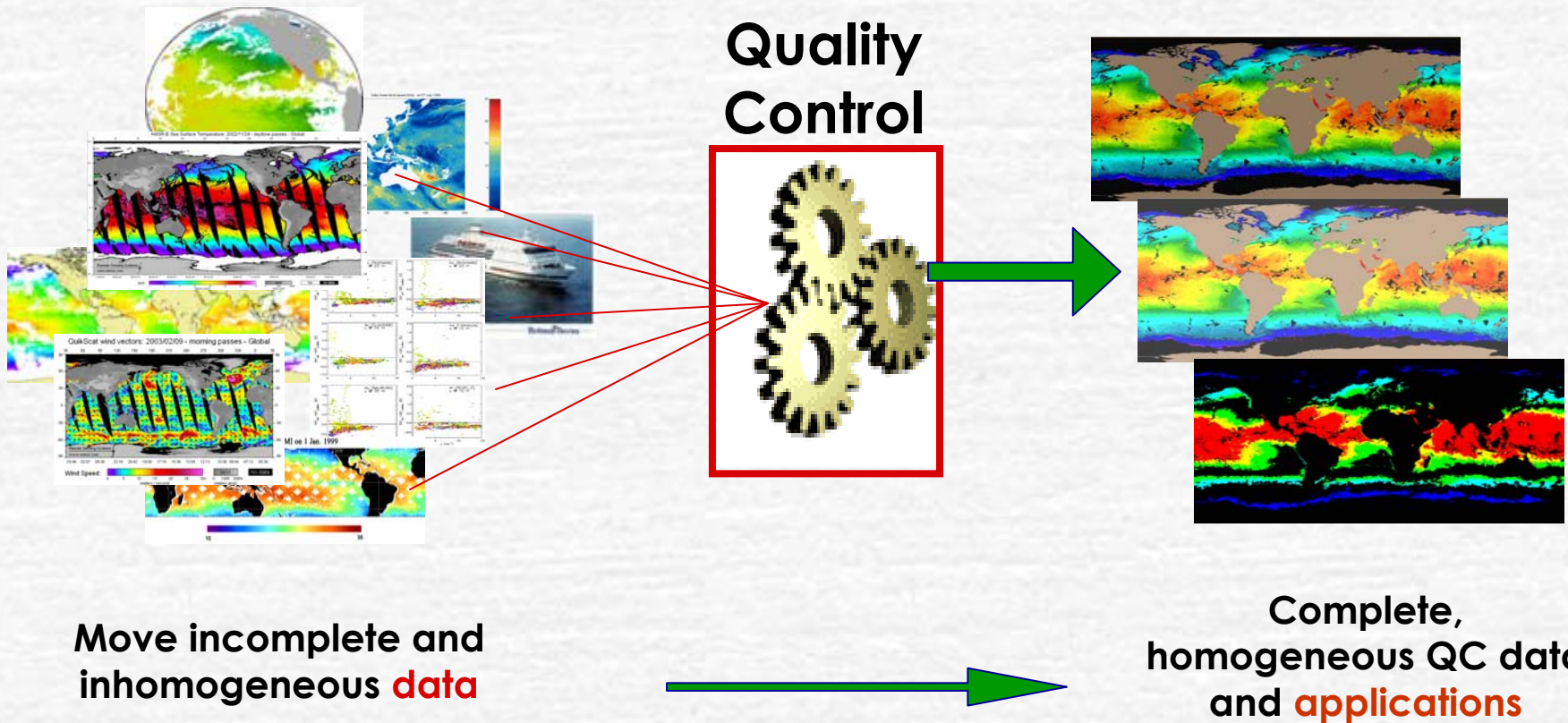
# Summary (4/5): The GHRSSST-PP Thematic strategy



Taken from the GHRSSST-PP Strategy and Initial Development Plan (see <http://www.ghrsst-pp.org>)

# The GHR SST-PP Concept

- ④ In principle, the **merging and analysis** of complementary satellite and in situ measurements can deliver SST products with enhanced accuracy, spatial and temporal coverage.
- ④ Emphasis on **synergy benefits**





# Summary (5/5): Expected GHR SST-PP Outcomes

- ④ Provide a **new generation of operational SST** products
  - Address the needs of national and international projects (GODAE, GOOS, WOCE, CLIVAR, MERCATOR etc.)
- ④ Ensure that **duplication of SST activities are minimized**
  - Synchronization of data merging/processing procedures, techniques, algorithms and data formats,
- ④ An **operationally efficient methodology** for real time fusion of SST data
  - Increased efficiency and cost-effectiveness of SST product generation and delivery
- ④ Develop and foster **considerable scientific and operational knowledge** during the lifecycle of the GHR SST-PP
  - Increase the network capacity within international and national projects of differing scope and budget



# Summary of GHR SST-PP at IGST-VI

④ Initial GODAE workshop, JRC, Ispra, Italy Nov. 2000

- Based on a GODAE SST prospectus document
- Established the GHR SST-PP and Science Team
- Developed a Strategy document (IGST-VI report)
- Proposed 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop in Tokyo

# **Developments since IGST-VI:**

## **New sensors, Workshops, ideas and documents**

# GHRST-PP: major events (1/2)

## ☉ Second Workshop, NASDA EORC, Tokyo, May 2002

- Established the basis for a GHRST-PP implementation plan
- Established an In situ and Satellite Data Integration (ISDI) TAG
- Established Reanalysis project (RAN)

## ☉ Interim:

- Outline of ISDI-Processing Model (ISDI-PM), liaison with users
- Established GHRST-PP web site
- Published recommendations of the ISDI-TAG
- Developed a HR-DDS technical implementation reference
- Developed a European implementation project: Medspiration with ESA

# GHR SST-PP: major events (2/2)

- Ⓢ Developed a NOPP submission for SST validation with U. Miami
- Ⓢ Submitted a proposal to NASA ReASON for USA support
- Ⓢ 4 major satellite platforms successfully launched
- Ⓢ First formal dialog with user community: input and requests
- Ⓢ Currently working on an ISDI-Processing Model v1 and the GHR SST-PP Development and Implementation Plan (GDIP)
- Ⓢ Shortly to establish an International Project Office with ESA support at the Met Office UK (Ocean Modelling, Hadley Centre, NWP Satellite Applications)
- Ⓢ ESA AATSR data server proposal accepted
- Ⓢ NASDA GHR SST-PP SST data server underway
- Ⓢ Some headway with MODIS
- Ⓢ Third Workshop, ESA/ESRIN Frascati, Italy, December 2002



# GHRST-PP Science Team

- ④ Hiroshi Kawamura
- ④ Bill Emery
- ④ Ian Robinson
- ④ Chelle Gentemann
- ④ Chris Mutlow
- ④ Doug May
- ④ Gary Wick
- ④ Ian Barton
- ④ Jim Cummings
- ④ Neville Smith

- ④ Nick Rayner
- ④ Peter Minnett
- ④ Bob Evans
- ④ Pierre LeBorgne
- ④ Craig Donlon (chair)
- ④ Dick Reynolds
- ④ Andy Harris
- ④ Ed Armstrong
- ④ Ken Casey
- ④ Jorge Vasquez

# GHR SST-PP organization



**GCOS International GODAE Steering Team (IGST)**



**International GHR SST-PP Project Office (Sept. 2003)**

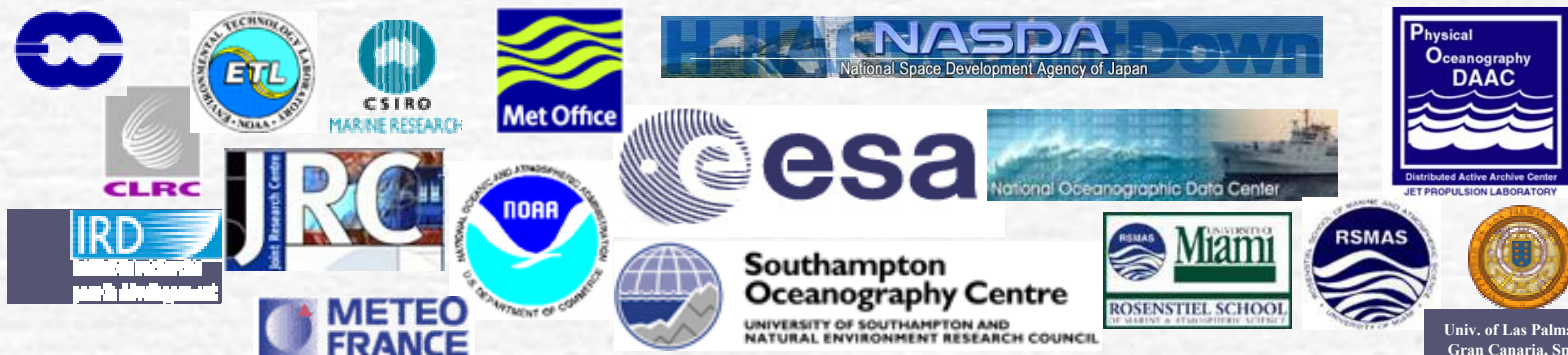
**International Science Team**

**GHR SST-PP  
Reanalysis Project  
coordinating group  
(RAN-CG)**

**In Situ and Satellite  
Data Integration  
Technical Advisory  
Group (ISDI-TAG)**

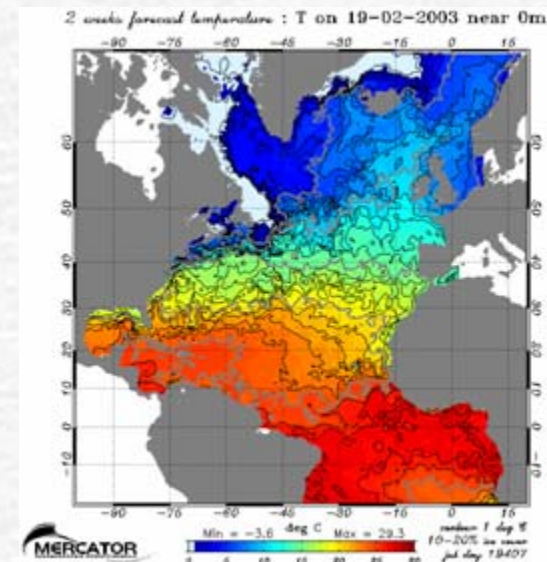
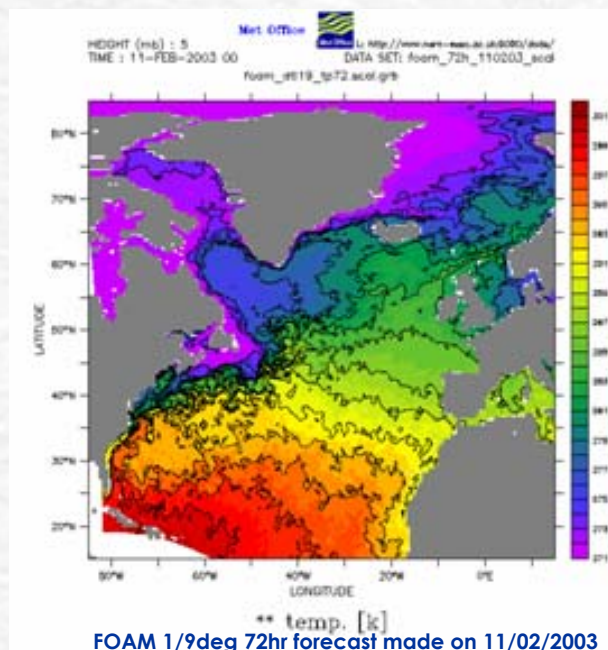
**GHR SST-PP Data  
management  
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(DM-CG)**

**GHR SST-PP Partners**



# Users requesting GHR SST-PP data products (3rd Workshop)

MERCATOR <a href="http://www.mercator.com.fr">http://www.mercator.com.fr</a>
ECMWF : Impact on MRWF study <a href="http://www.ecmwf.int">http://www.ecmwf.int</a>
ECMWF : Impact on Seasonal Forecast study <a href="http://www.ecmwf.int">http://www.ecmwf.int</a>
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Norwegian Meteorological Office (DNMI) <a href="http://projects.dnmi.no/~sat/">http://projects.dnmi.no/~sat/</a>



MERCATOR bi-weekly forecast made on 5/02/2002

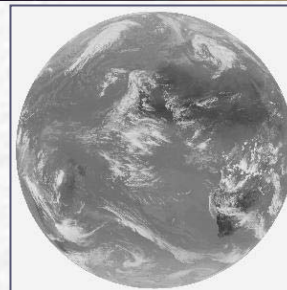
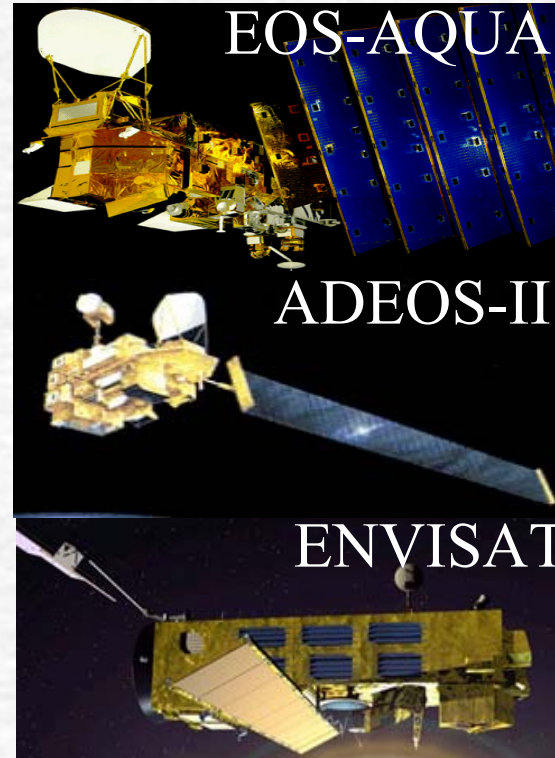


EuroGOOS



# SST from new Satellite systems

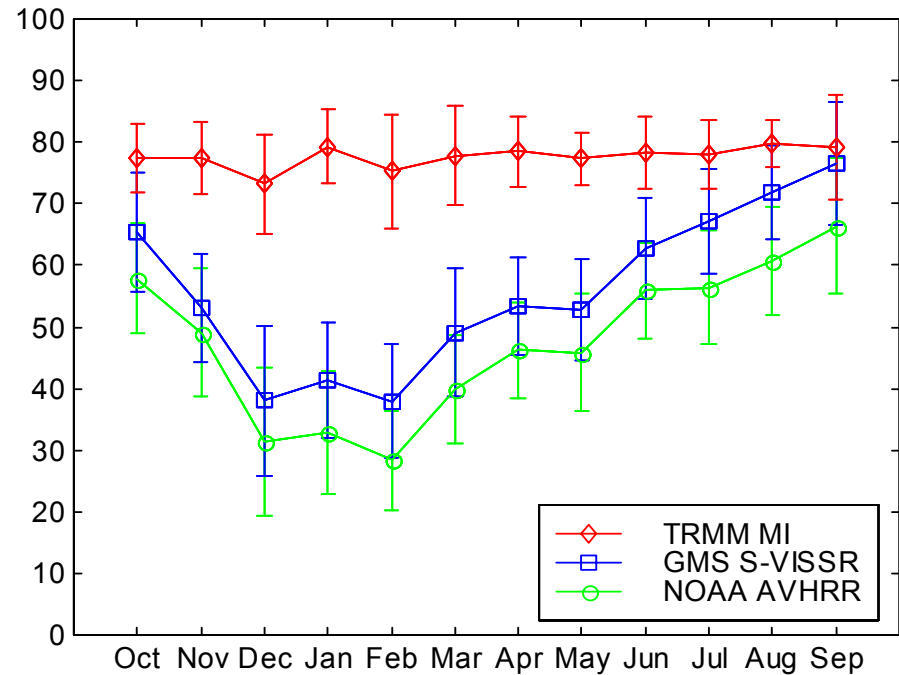
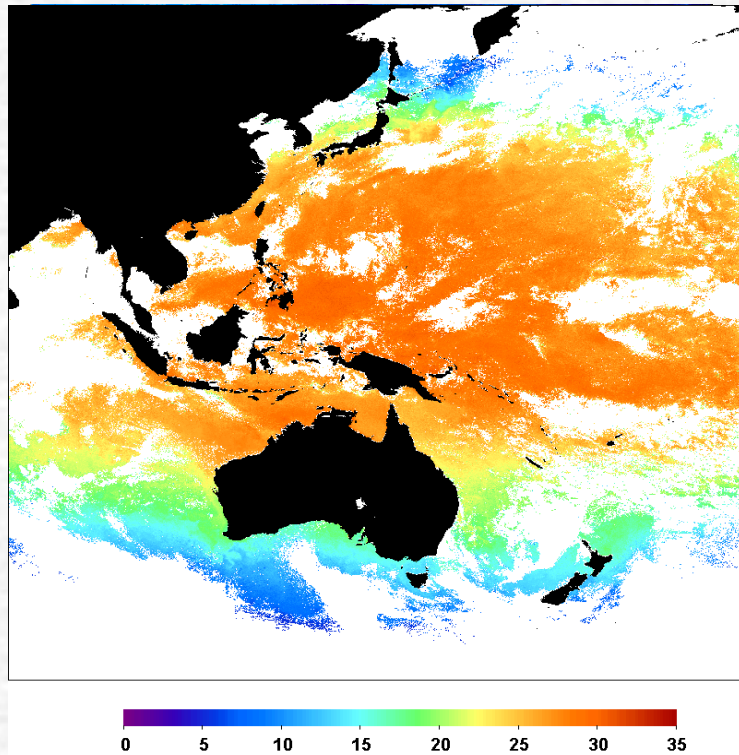
- ④ MW: AMSR-E
- ④ IR: MODIS, AIRS
- ④ MW: AMSR
- ④ IR: GLI
- ④ IR: AATSR
- ④ IR: MSG SEVIRI



SEVIRI 12um  
(EUMETSAT)



# IR sensors: optimal spatial and radiometric resolution

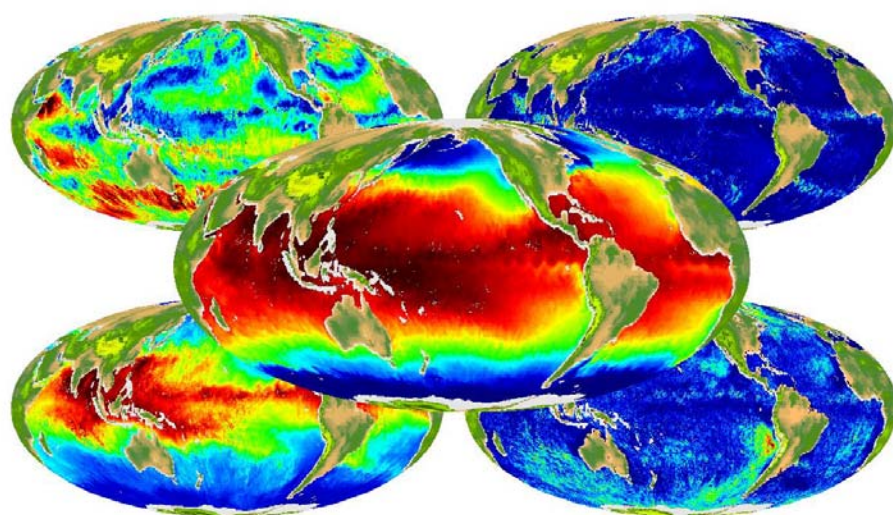


(Figure: L. Guan)

GMS VISSR SST Japan (H. Kawamura)

- High radiometric accuracy and fidelity (L. Horrocks)
- Daily global coverage (AVHRR, MODIS) and high regional temporal coverage (e.g., MSG SEVIRI, GMS, GOES, Meteosat)
- But a major problem with cloud
  - Persistent in particular regions and seasons
  - e.g., GMS footprint over Japan RDAC area

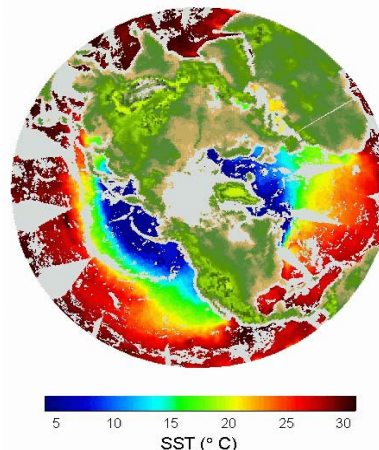
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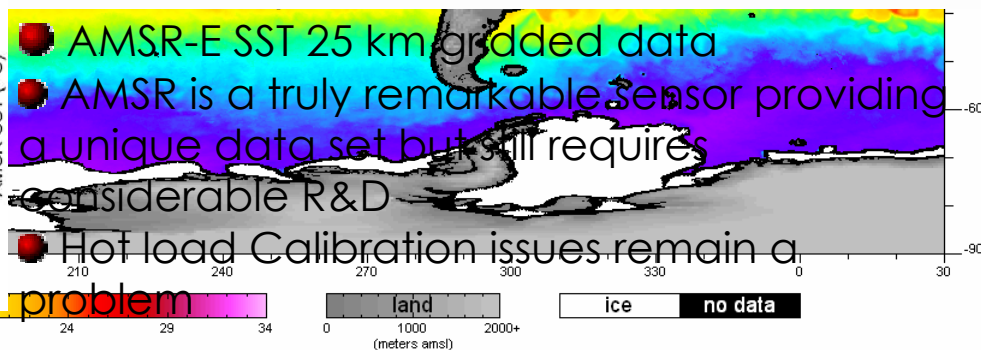
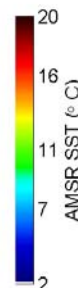
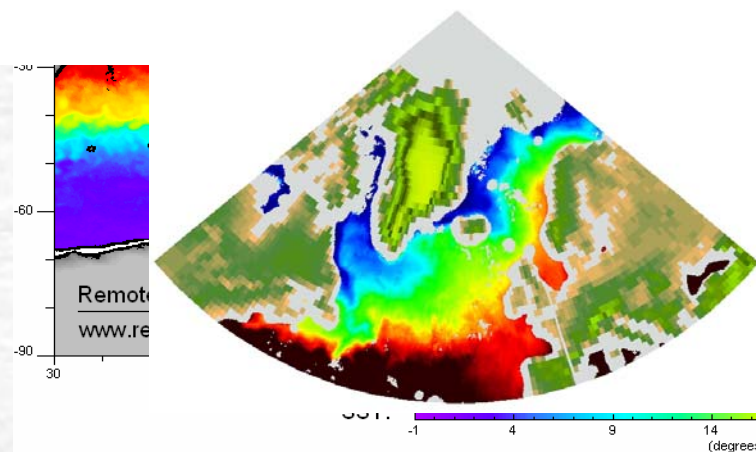
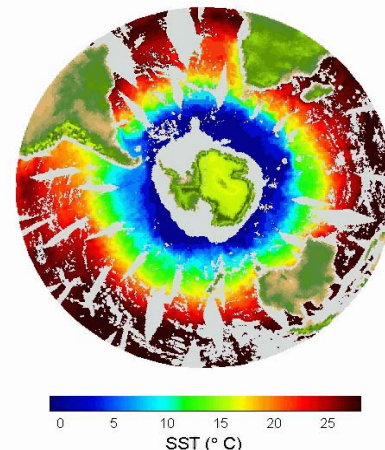
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AMSR SST



- AMSR-E SST 25 km gridded data
- AMSR is a truly remarkable sensor providing a unique data set but still requires considerable R&D
- Hot load Calibration issues remain a problem

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(meters amsl)

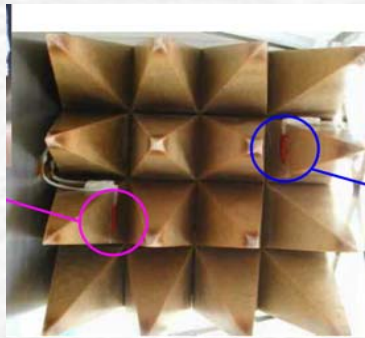
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# AMSR-E Hot load Calibration problems

(C. Gentemann, 3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop)

AMSR-E Hot Load

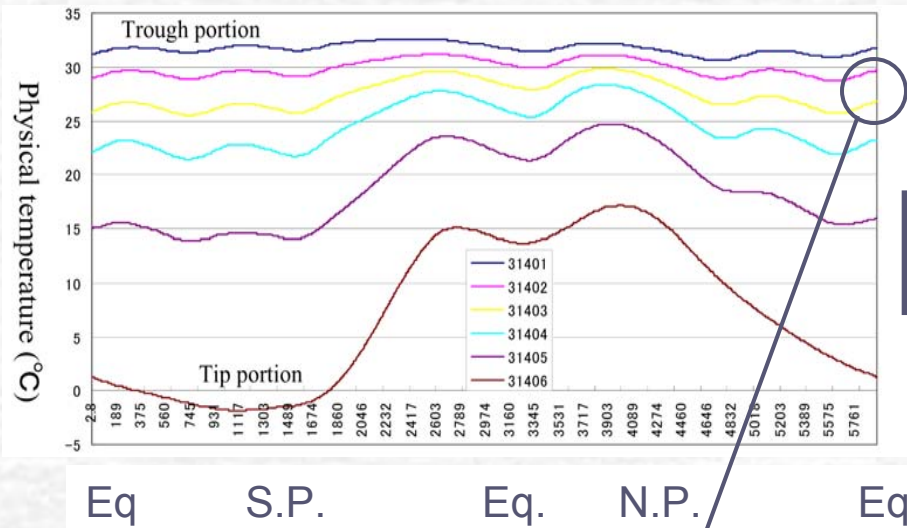


8 thermistors  
16 heaters on 4  
different circuits

308 K

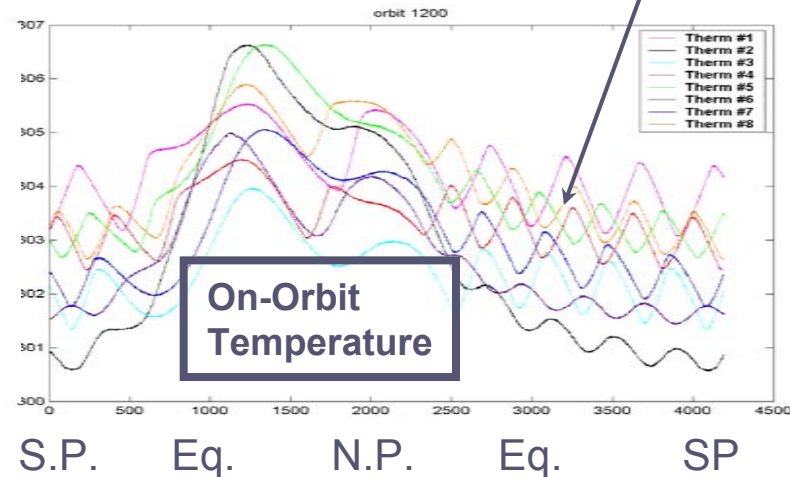
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273 K



307 K

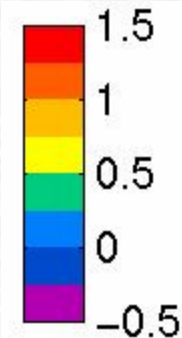
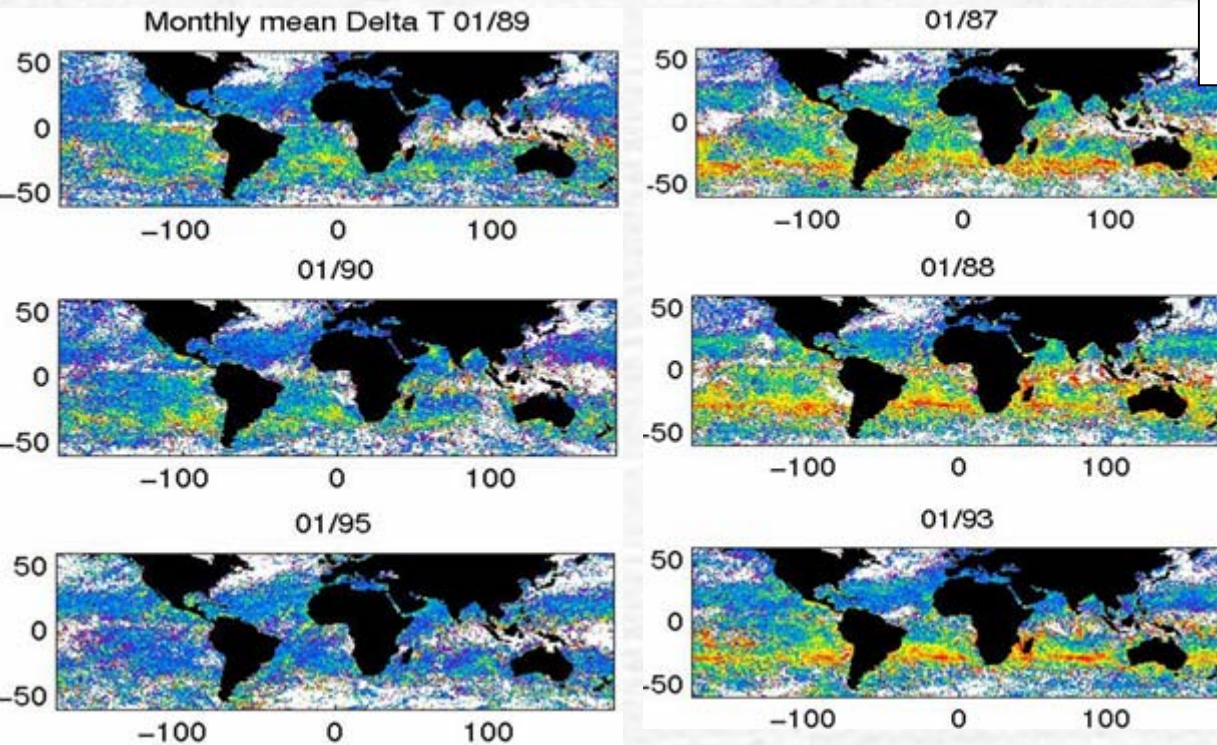
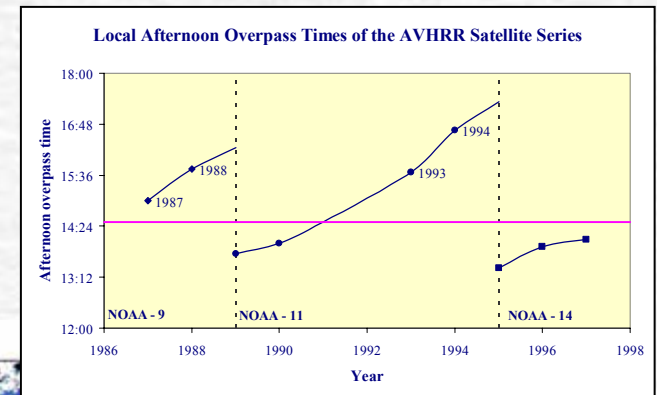
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# Diurnal sampling bias

(GHRST 3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop A. Stuart-Menteth)

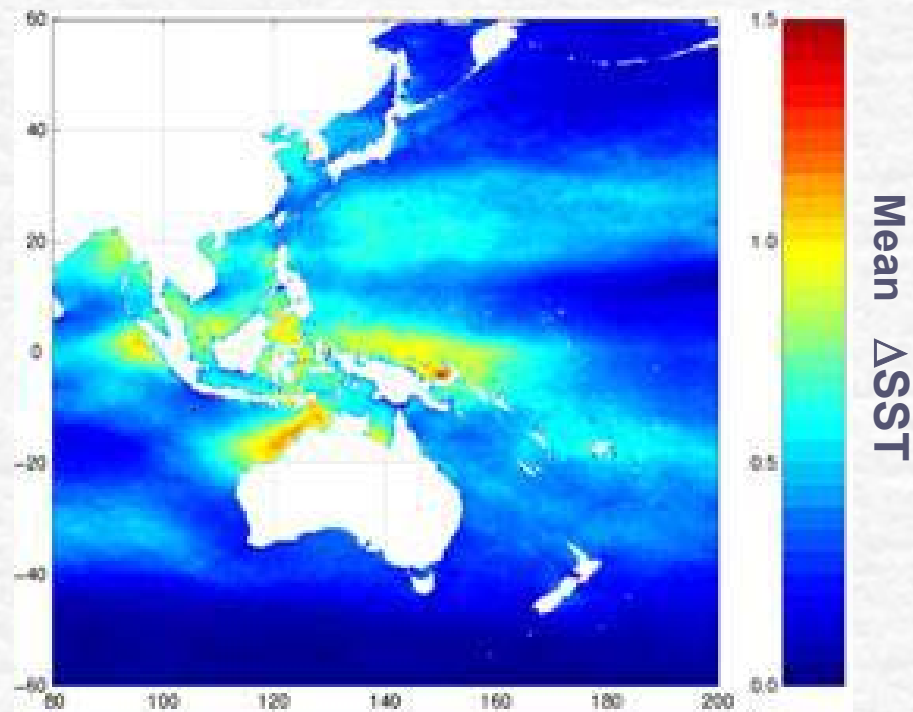
Polar-orbiting sensors: AVHRR where the local time of the satellite overpass drifts over the afternoon. Observed diurnal warming **impacts interannual biases**





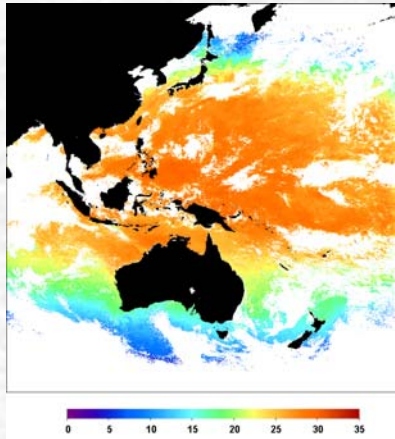
# Annual mean diurnal signals

- Annual mean of diurnal warming over the GHR SST-PP Japanese RDAC area (GMS footprint)
- Based on SSI, wind speed and 1D model (Kawai and Kawamura 2002)

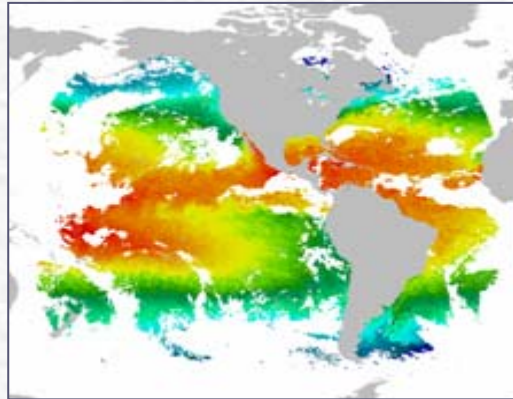


(Figure: H. Kawamura)

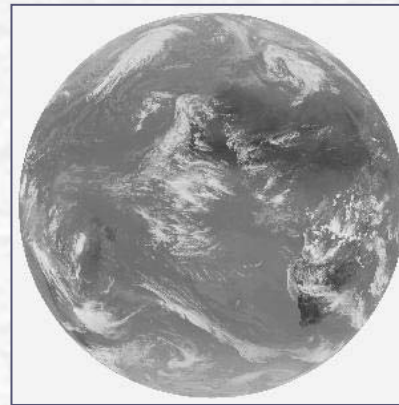
# Global coverage every hour: SST from Geostationary IR imagers



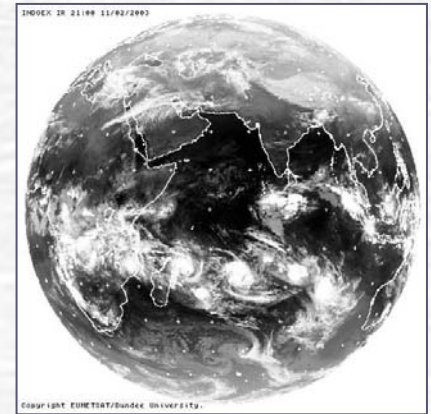
GMS VISSR SST Japan  
(H. Kawamura)



GOES-E & W SST  
(D. May)



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Meteosat-5  
(U. Dundee)

- ④ Coverage every 15 minutes, ~5km spatial resolution
- ④ Data management challenge
- ④ Global coverage but calibration issues remain (Meteosat-5 and future GOES, no split window)
- ④ Infrared imagers – cloud contamination is severe

# Implementation of the GHR SST-PP Strategy: Turning the vision into reality



# Implementation strategy

- ④ Implementation needs a **framework for success**
  - Follow a pragmatic approach
  - Use what is already available
  - Build on existing capacity
- ④ Preserve and enhance **regional autonomy and identity**
  - Provide a platform for regional actions
  - Preserve regional infrastructure and R&D investments
  - Leverage regional funding
- ④ Provide a **global project focus**
  - For data products, agencies and scientists
  - Data management; **metadata** – the unifying project “matrix”
  - **Active** outreach, promotion, and capacity building
  - Maintain the GODAE identity by working closely with GODAE applications
- ④ Implementation Plan is founded on a **Global/Regional task sharing approach**

# Global/regional task sharing and connectivity



Canary Islands, 1996



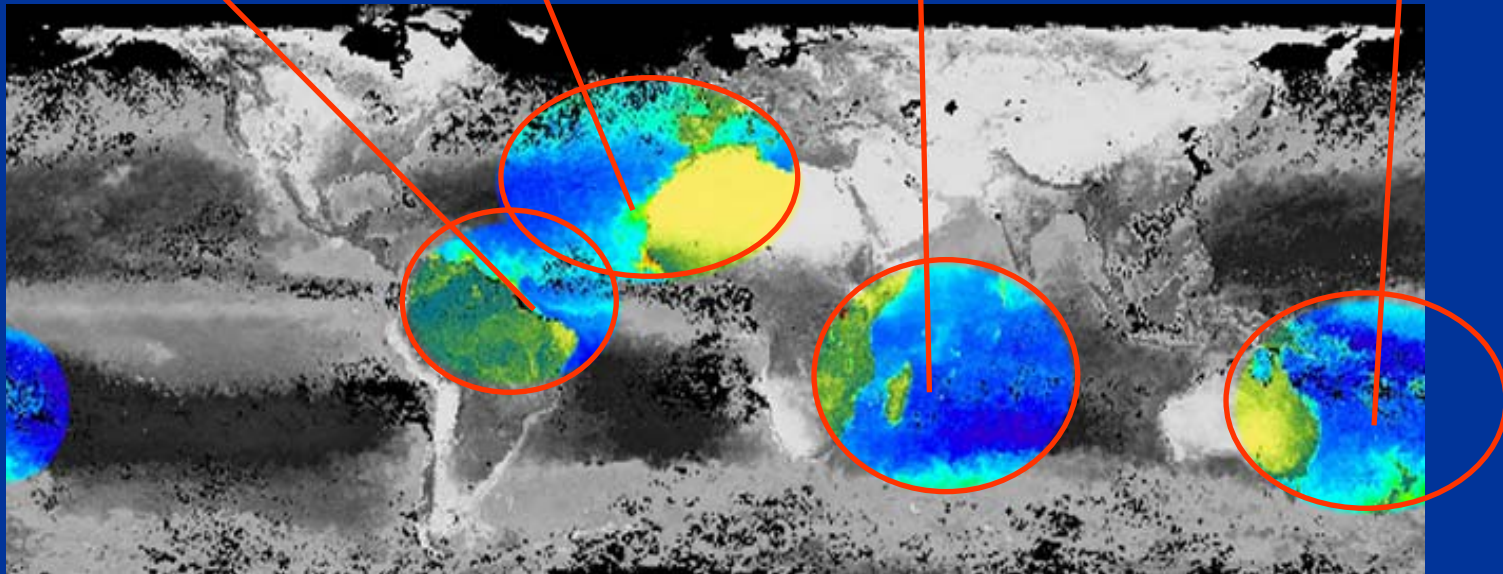
Reunion Island, 1990



New Caledonia, 1997



French Guyanna, 1998



# Applications and User Services (AUS)

Specific operational users and real time projects: Models, Assimilation etc.

## User Information Services (UIS)

User support services (USS) **X**

Data Product Server (UIS-DP) ✓

GHR SST-PP Web Portal (UIS-WWP) ✓

Data access & archive (DAAC) ✓

## Global coverage Merged and Analysed GHR SST-PP data products

GHR SST-PP Regional and Global Validation ✓

(VAL)

GHR SST-PP Re-analysis Project ✓

(RAN)

In situ and Satellite Data Integration Processing Model ✓

(ISDI-PM)

ISDI Technical Advisory group ✓

(ISDI-TAG)

Diagnostic Data Set ✓

(DDS)

Data Product Computation Facility ✓

(DPCF)

Master Metadata repository ✓

(MMR)

## Global Data Analysis Centres (GDAC's)

## Regional coverage Collated, Merged and Analysed GHR SST-PP data products

Japan RDAC

NGSST Project ✓

Europe RDAC

MEDSST Project ✓

USA RDAC

PENSA project **X**

SEASnet Tropical RDAC ✓

Regional coverage satellite and in situ data streams ✓

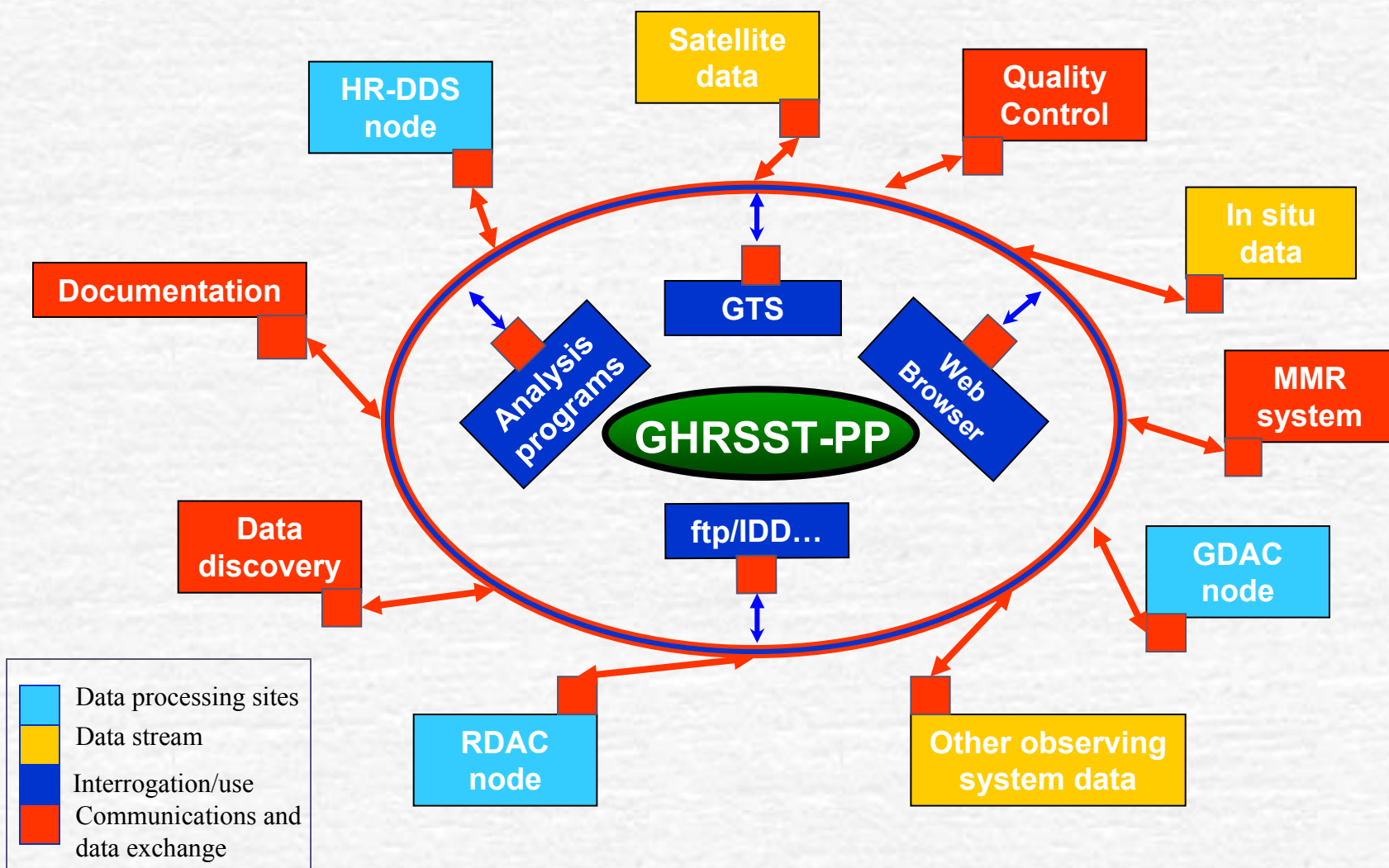
Global coverage satellite and in situ data streams ✓

Specialist data servers (NASDA, ESA, US-GODAER, CORILIS) ✓

GTS **X**



# Working together as part of the GODAE Data sharing Pilot



# UIS & AUS: Users and Applications

- ② The Applications and User Services (**AUS**) links the GHR SST-PP to **Specific operational users and real time projects in** close collaboration with the GHR SST-PP science team.
  - E.g., MERCATOR, FOAM, JMA, CLIVAR, Satellite Flux development etc.
  - Interactive Workshops and targeted outreach initiatives
  - Develop a **deep relationship** with specific applications to ensure **appropriate feedback**
- ② The User Information Service (**UIS**) provides **low volume data access** and information on GHR SST-PP **logistics and operations**
  - Active archive and data access system
  - Access and use of the GHR SST-PP GDAC DPCF
  - Services for GHR SST-PP RDAC, GDAC and data providing agencies/institutions

# GHR SST-PP Data management coordinating group

- Ⓢ Challenging aspects of GHR SST-PP.
- Ⓢ A remit to provide input and guidance to the ST on:
  - File formats (netCDF, GRIB, HDF)
  - Conventions (CF, MXML?, DODS/OPeNDAP)
  - Data exchange mechanisms (IDD, sftp, DODS, LAS, etc)
  - Telemetry and transport (timelines to Operations)
  - Metadata Management
  - Data assembly, data set integrity, quality control
  - Data archive (deep and short-term)
  - Applications and user interfaces
- Ⓢ Metadata model, transport, archive and discovery are now in place (v1.0)
- Ⓢ Initial focus on Metadata specification. CF & FGDC compliant, built on the GCMD DIF structure – fully documented in ISDI-PMv1 and HR-DDS implementation plan (draft)
- Ⓢ Work closely with the GODAE DS pilot.



# Reanalysis project (RAN)

- ④ Coordinating group has been established. Chair: Ken Casey (NOAA)
  - Discussion now well under way.
  - Emphasis on climate aspects of SST from space
  - Summary report of initial discussions expected soon
- ④ Preparation for reanalysis to begin in 2005 once ISDI-PM is stable and operational
  - Based on L2P/L2C data streams augmented by delayed mode data (MODIS, AIRS, GLI)
  - Stringent requirements set by ECMWF: 0.1K absolute SST on 1° grid.
- ④ RAN-Strategy document expected in mid 2003.
- ④ RAN-implementation plan expected 2004.

# UIS-WWW: [www.ghrsst-pp.org](http://www.ghrsst-pp.org)

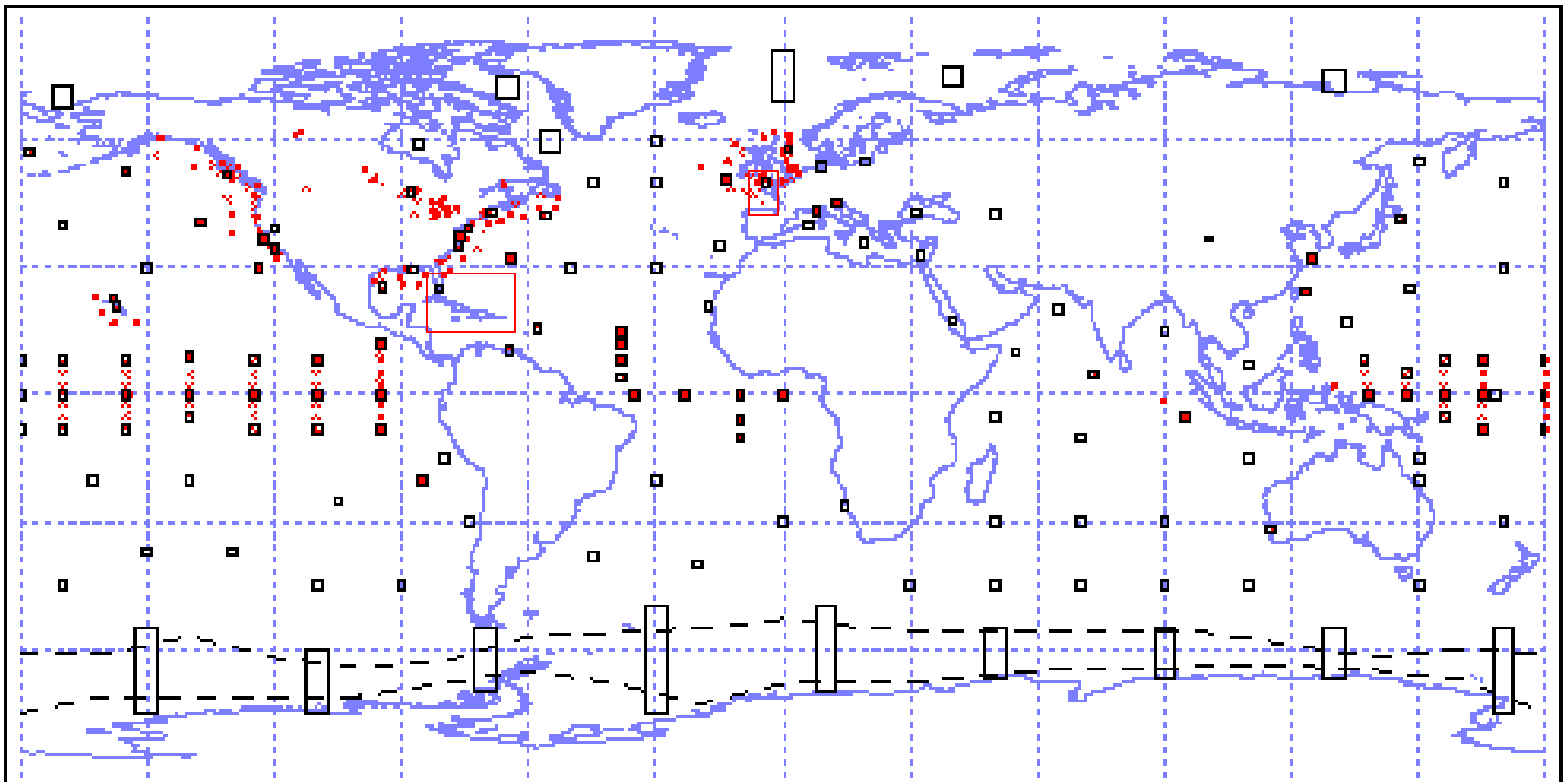
- ④ Web page established at JRC
- ④ Outreach, support and organisation
- ④ Purchased the domain name for .org and .com for 5 years
- ④ Due for revision now (After the 3<sup>rd</sup> workshop proceedings, GDIP, and ISDI-PM documents !)
- ④ System mirrored at JPL PO.DAAC system
- ④ Japanese mirror to be established soon on Japanese server
- ④ Also linked to NASA GCMD as a Project Portal
- ④ Soon to add DODS capability

# The GHR SST-PP High Resolution Diagnostic Data Set (HR-DDS).

- ④ To develop a **manageable data resource and framework** for sharing of data to enable pixel data inter-comparison and analysis.
  - Implementation of IGOS measurement principles
  - Critical for operational GHR SST-PP QC
  - Fundamental to GHR SST-PP RAN project
- ④ Published a draft implementation plan (GHR SST/13)
- ④ HR-DDS is the **main SST learning tool** for GHR SST-PP project scientists
- ④ It must be implemented and populated at the national/regional level as a **shared resource for all**

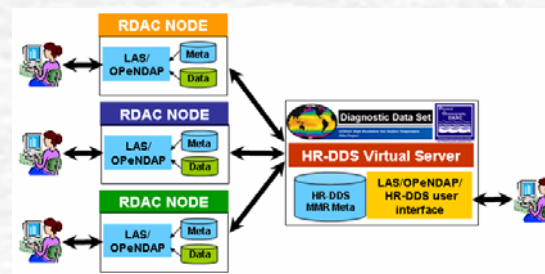
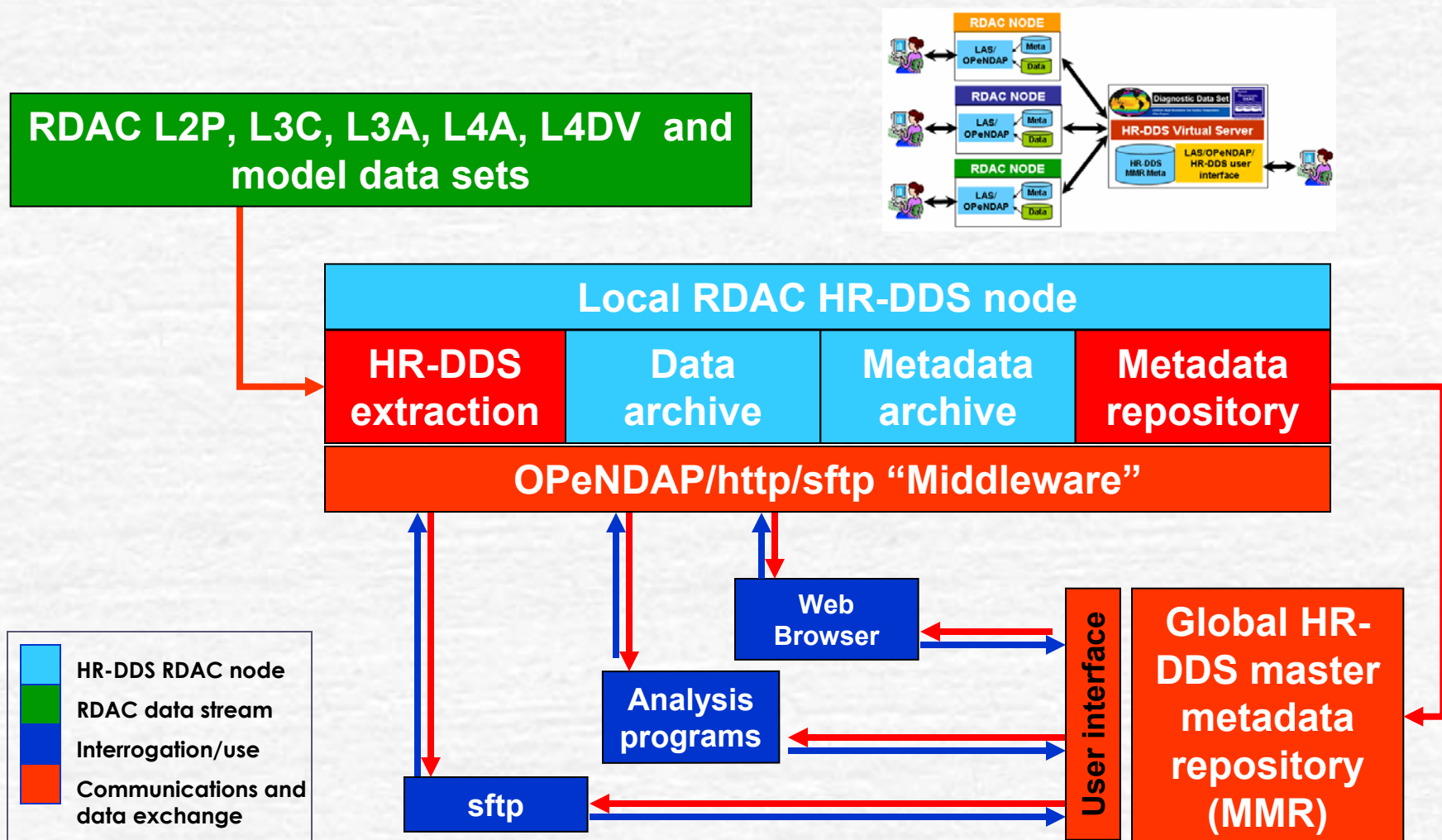


# HR-DDS-v2.2 locations

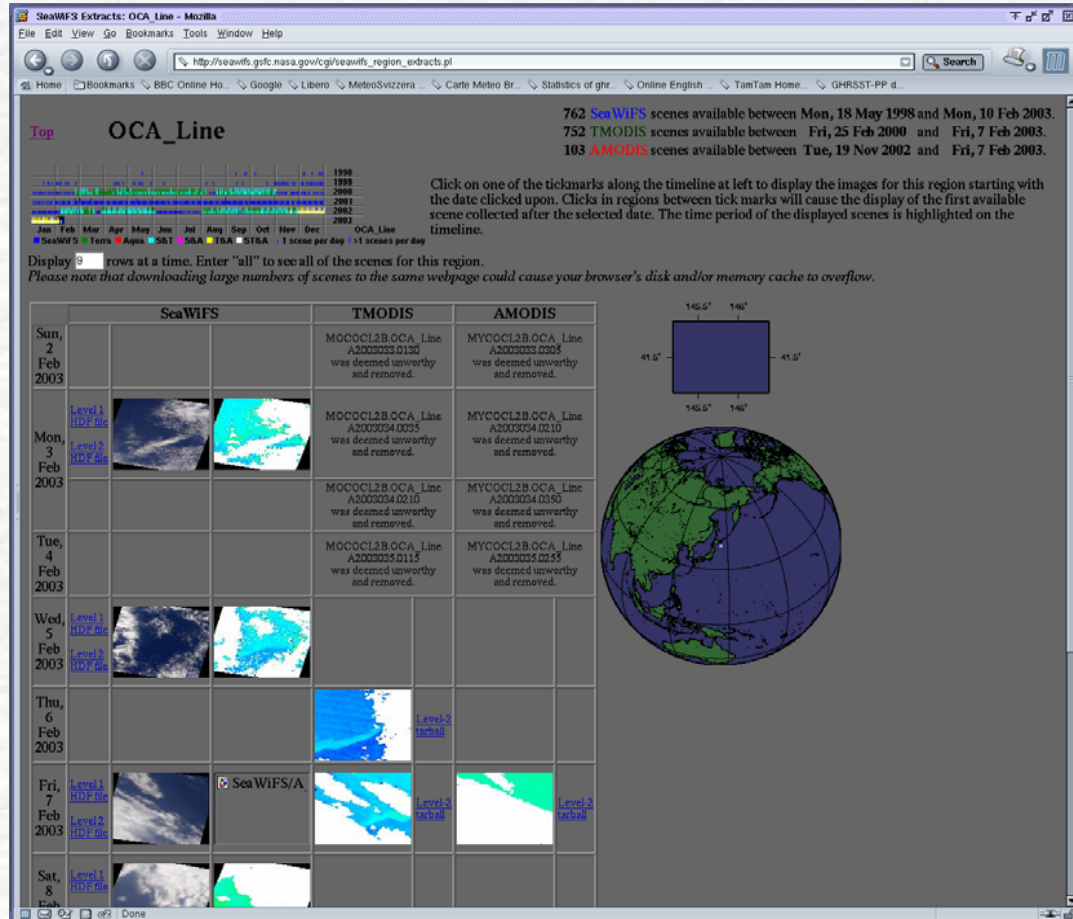


• Based on output of the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> GHR SST-PP workshop  
Science Team feedback. Fully documented in the HR-DDS  
Implementation Plan (GHR SST/14)

# DDS: Functional diagram of a GHR SST-PP HR-DDS node using OPeNDAP



# Collaboration with NASA SeaWiFS HR-DDS system



● NASA SeaWiFS DDS system is now in place and active.

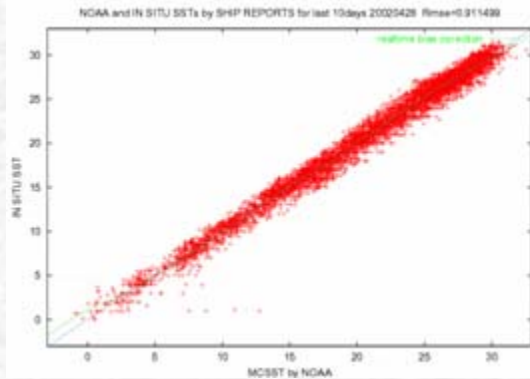
● Contact with Gene Feldman: Agrees in principle to the common use of SeaWiFS DDS WWW interface, backend code and data sharing.

● Considerable benefits to GHRSSST-PP in terms of Diurnal warming studies and atmospheric aerosol studies

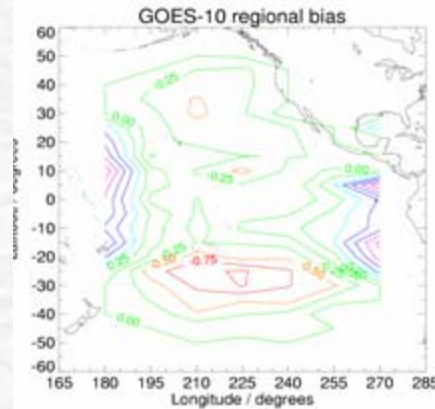


# SST bias differences

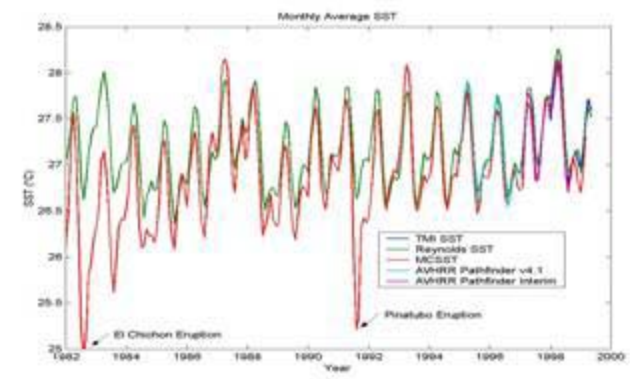
- In an operational inter-comparison framework, bias differences between complementary SST data streams can be recognised



(Figure: T. Sakurai)

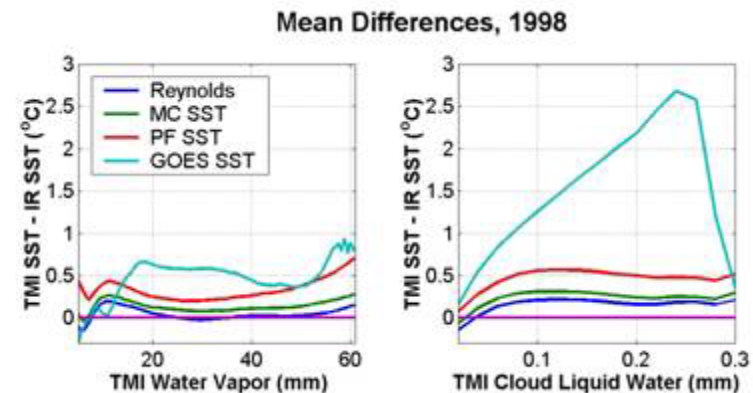


(Figure: A. Harris)



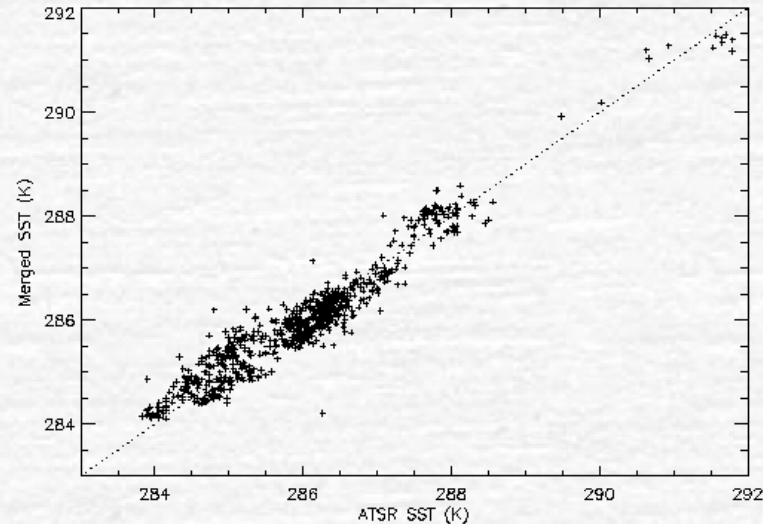
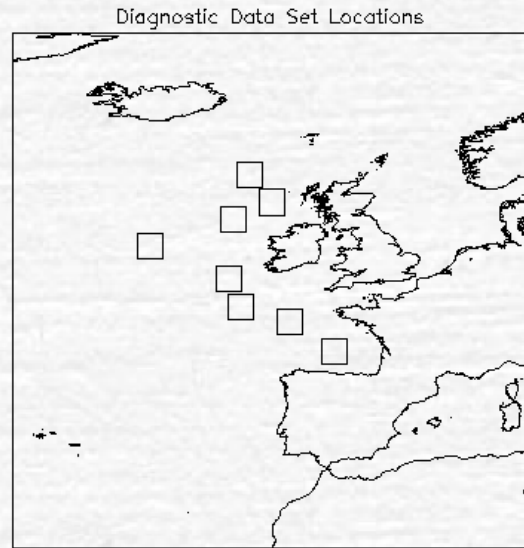
(Figure: C. Gentemann)

- GHRSSST-PP will address bias by inter-comparison and analysis in real time within the HR-DDS system and via validation experiments



(Figure: C. Gentemann)

# Bias correction of AVHRR using ATSR-2 SST within the HR-DDS: Initial results



Prototype HR-DDS using AVHRR GAC, ATSR-2 and TMI data has been developed at the JRC, Italy.

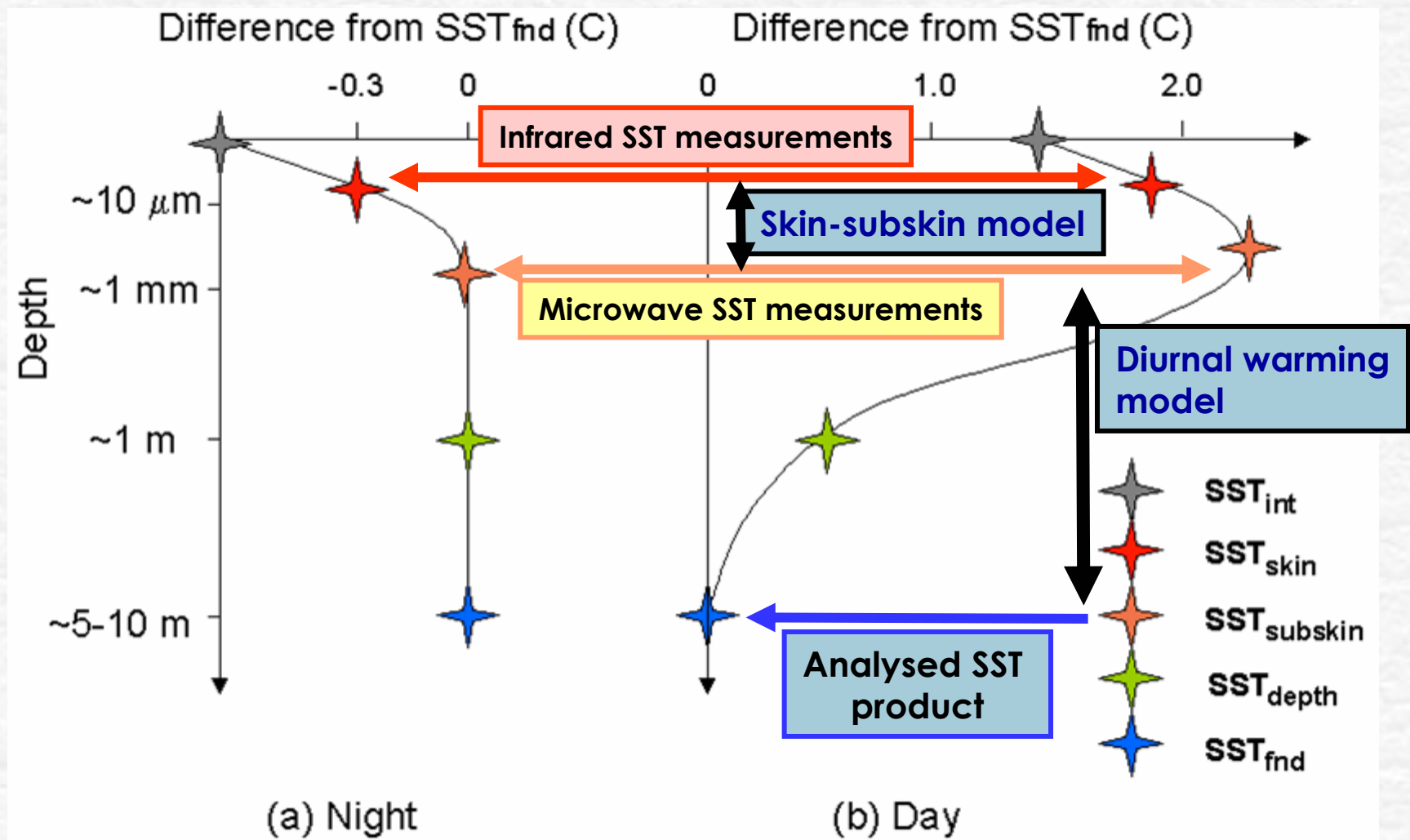
- Example use Assume ATSR is correct, use local DDS sites placed over EGOS buoys
- New SST algorithm form based on regression between contemporaneous ATSR-2 ASST and AVHRR:
- $CAASST = 23.08 + 3.0810 T4 - 2.1660 T5 - 0.63280 (T4 - T5) * (\sec(vza) - 1)$  npts 370, rms 0.26 K

(Pinnock and Donlon et al. (2003) *in prep*)

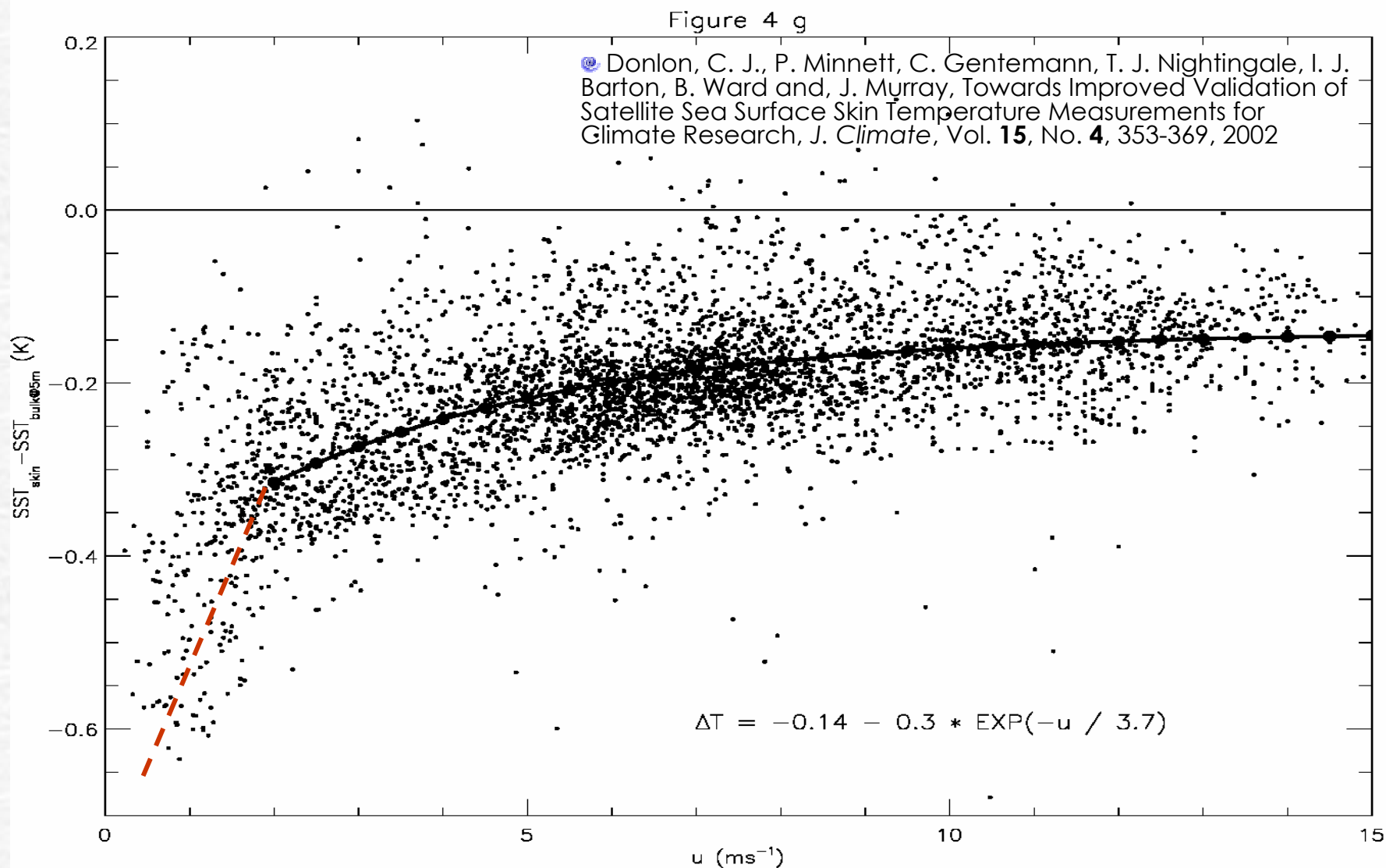
# ISDI-Data processing model: Making pragmatic sense of it all



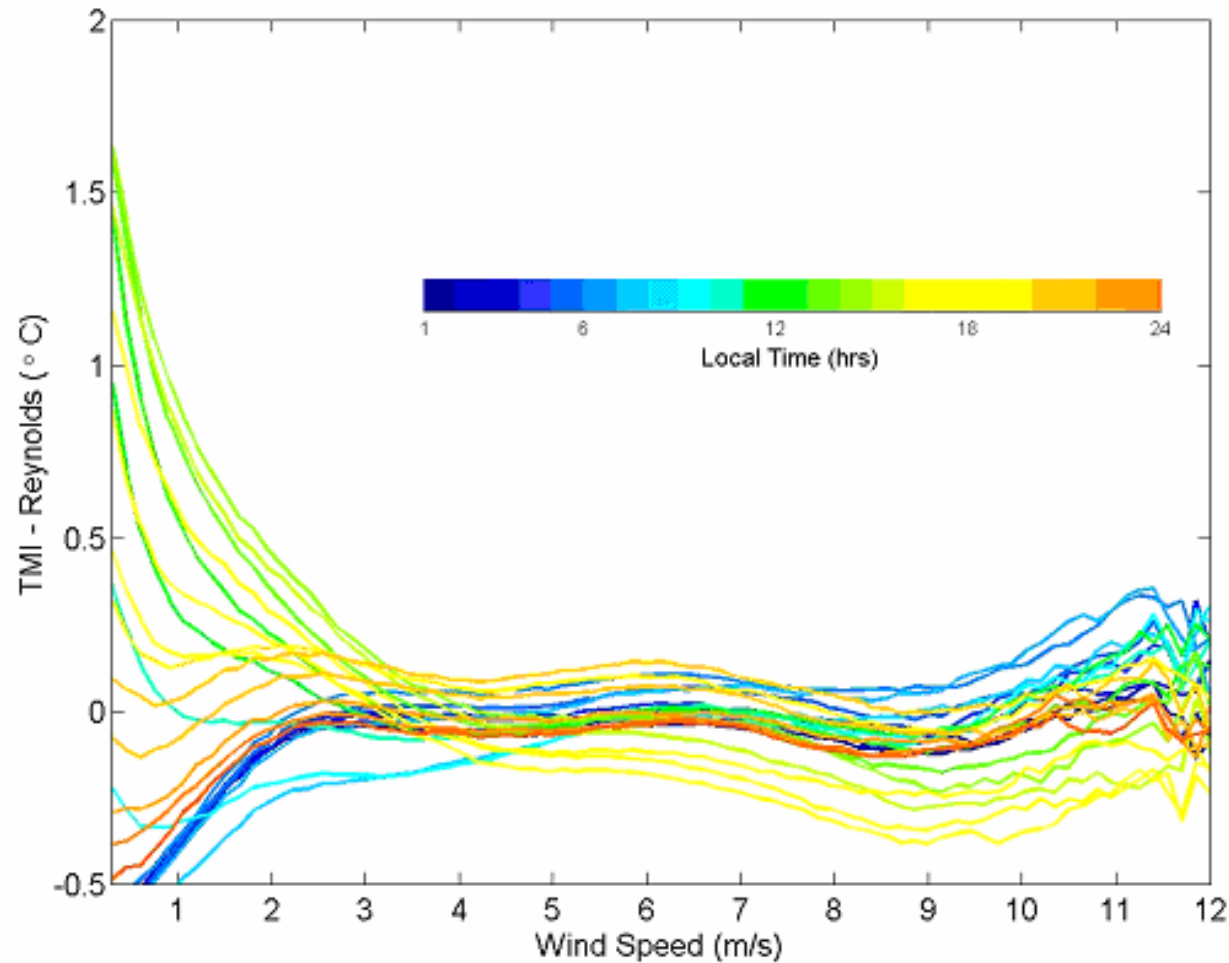
# SST definitions and data products within the GHR SST-PP



# Resolving SST<sub>skin</sub> & SST<sub>depth</sub> Differences



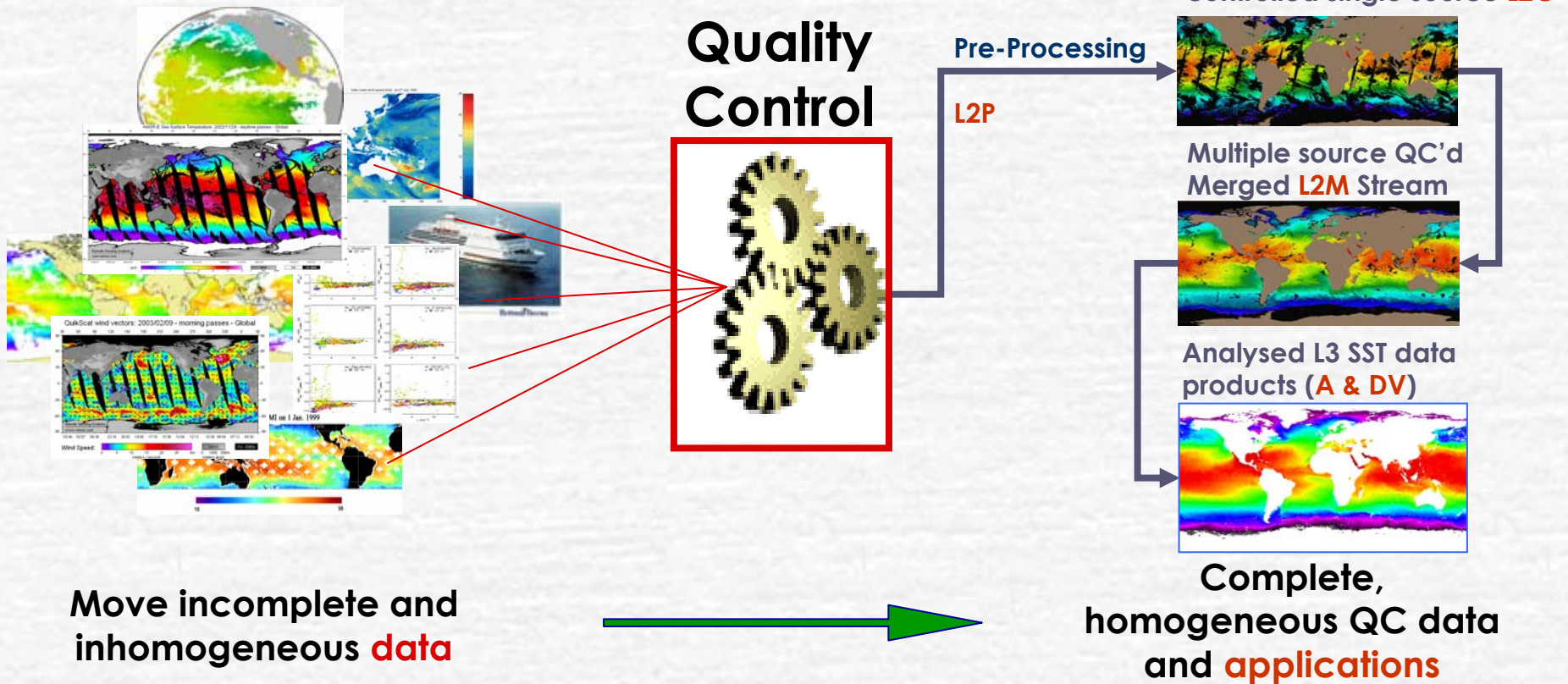
# TMI diurnal Cycle: global mean



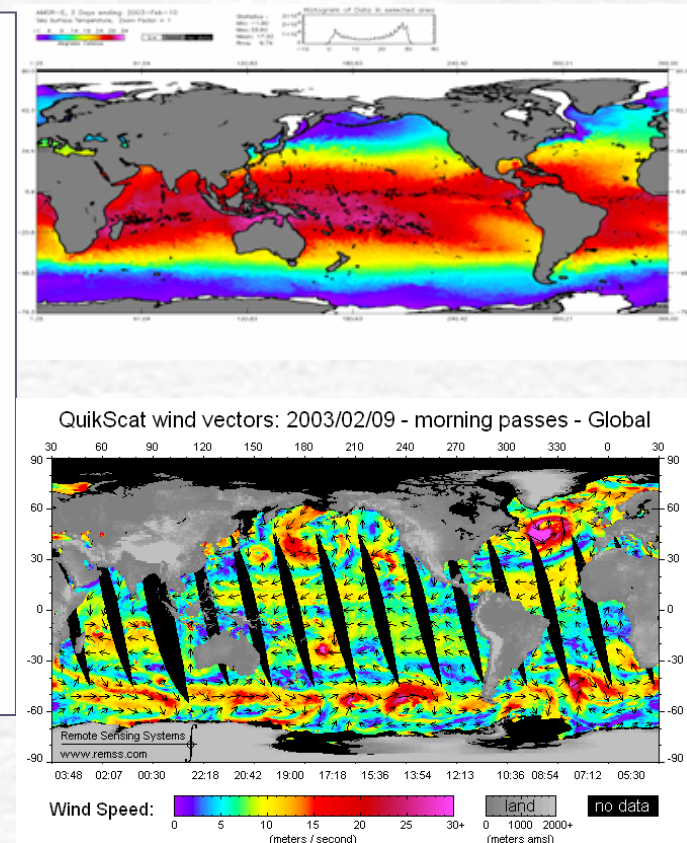
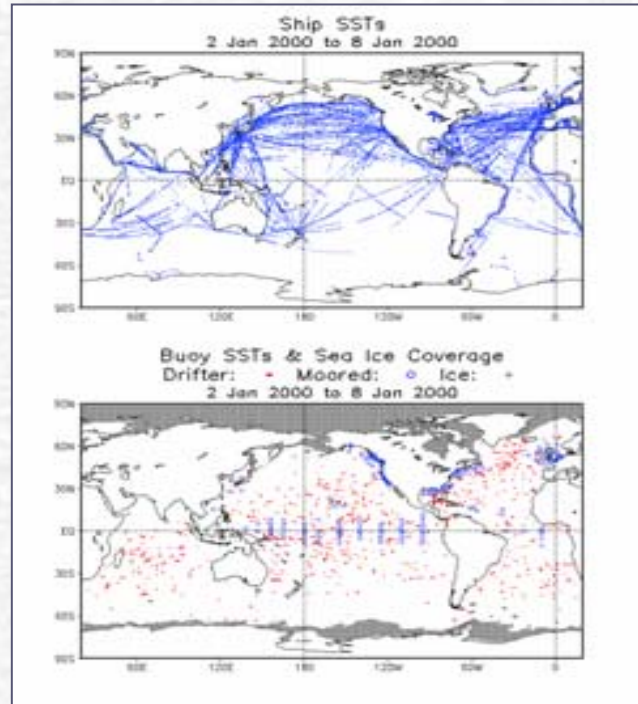


# The ISDI-PM

- Ⓢ Pre processing and Quality control of input L2 data streams (**L2P**)
- Ⓢ Collation of single source data streams (**L2C**)
- Ⓢ Merging of L2P to merged data products (**L2M**)
- Ⓢ Analysis of L2M data (**A and DV**)



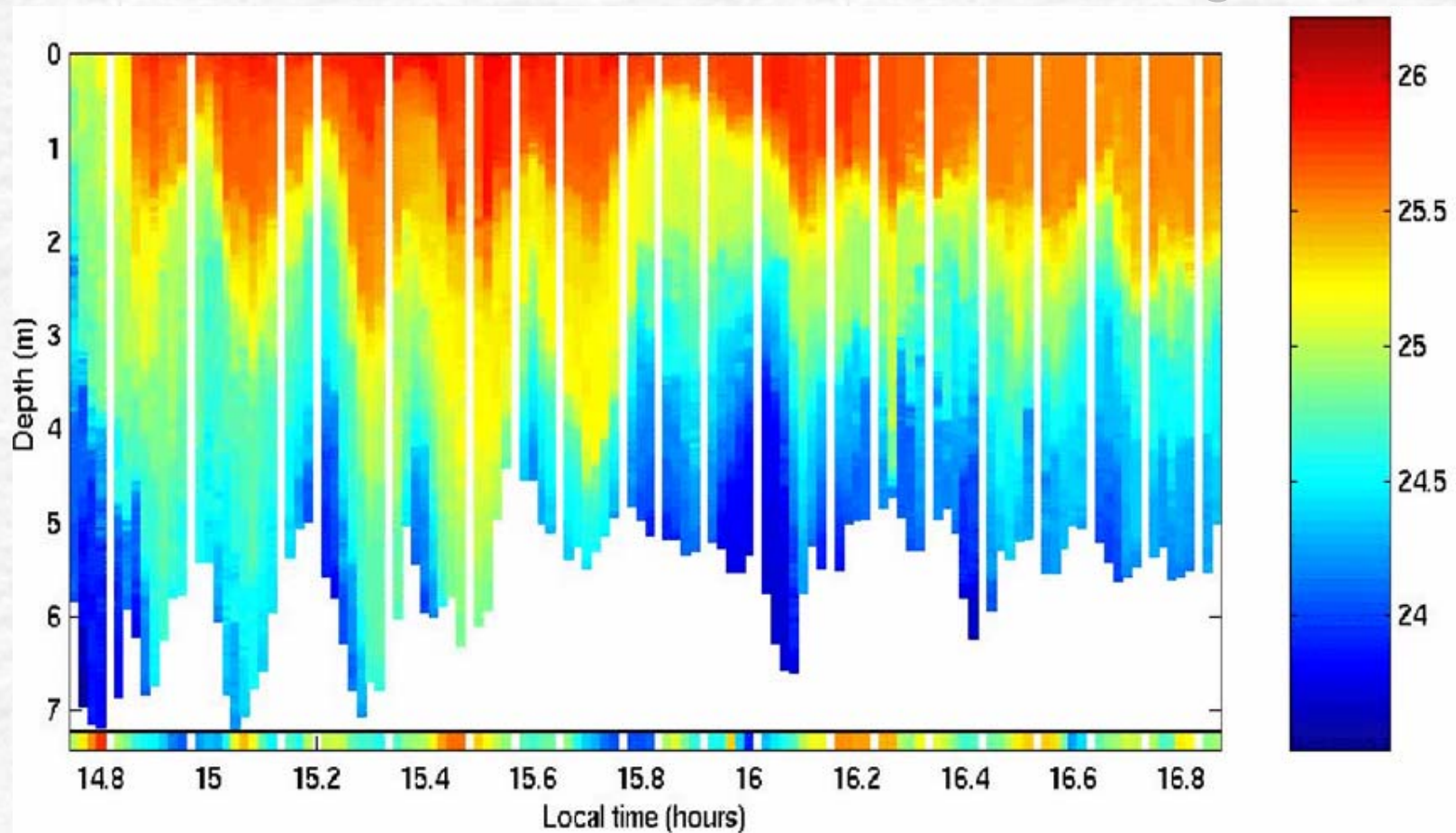
# ...A game of buckets and satellites...



Played by an **international Science Team** (referee)...  
and **partner organisations** (Players).



# Time evolution of near-surface thermal gradients



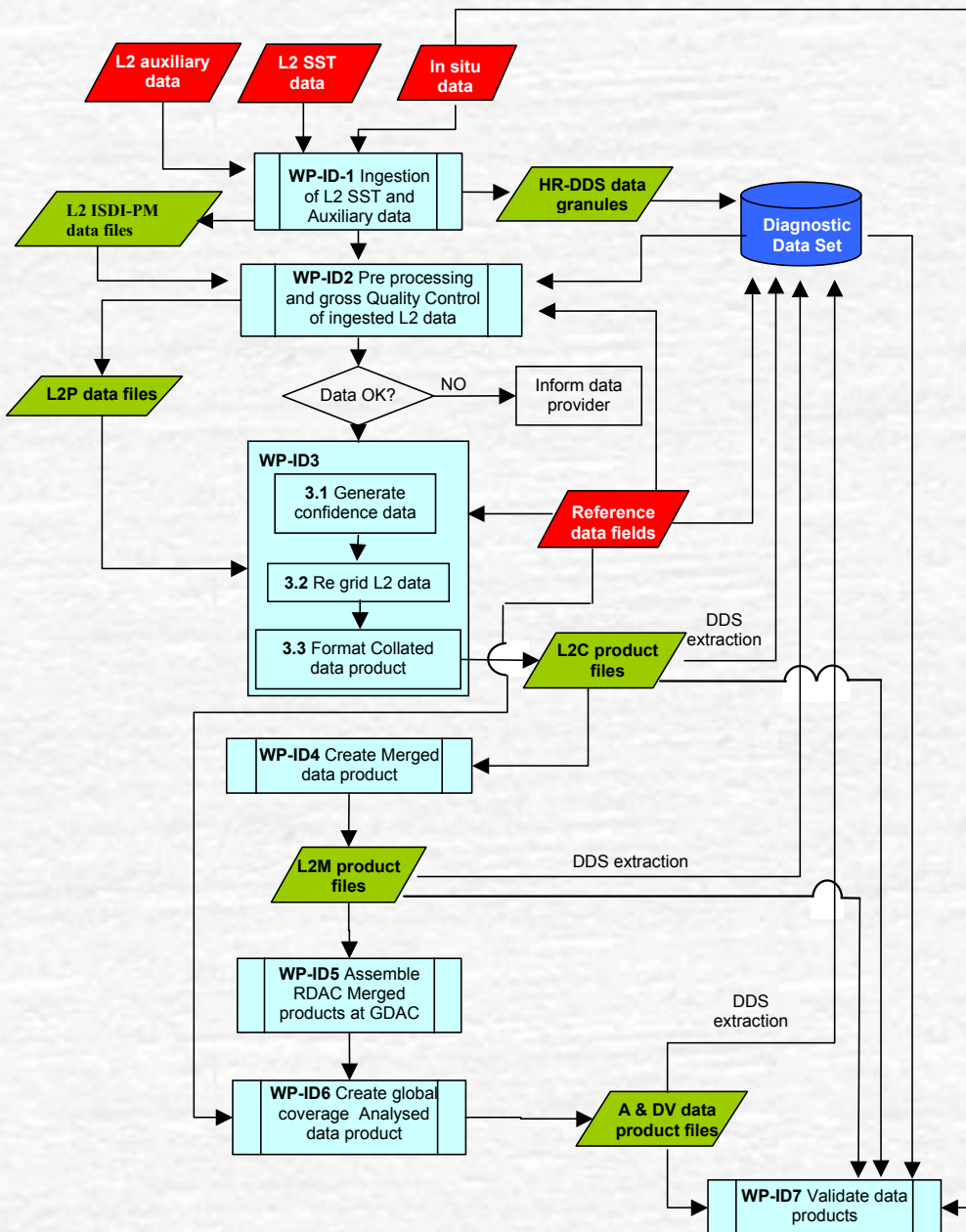
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From Ward, B. and P. J. Minnett, 2001. An autonomous profiler for near surface temperature measurements. *Gas Transfer at Water Surfaces*. M. A. Donelan, W.M. Drennan, E.S. Saltzman and R. Wanninkhof (Eds.) *American Geophysical Union Monograph* 127. 167 - 172.

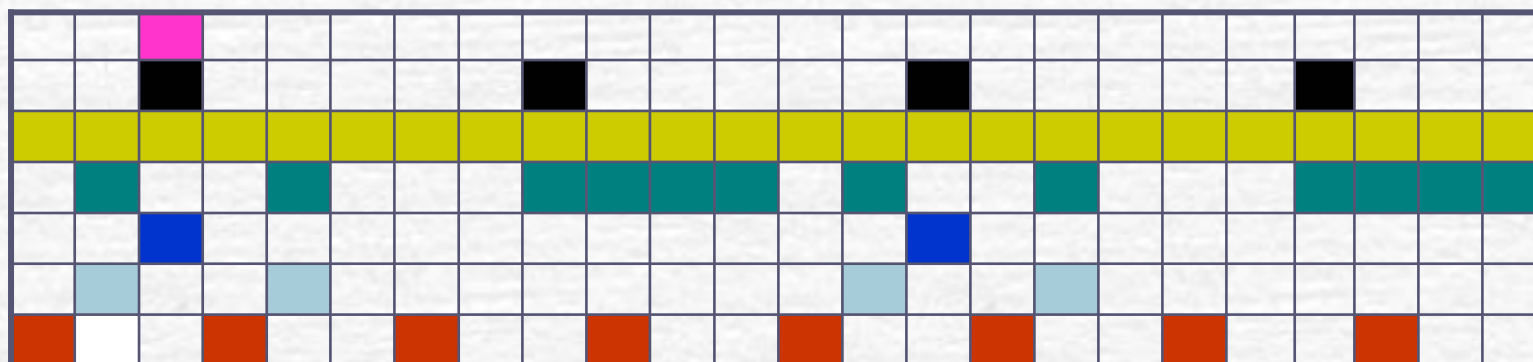
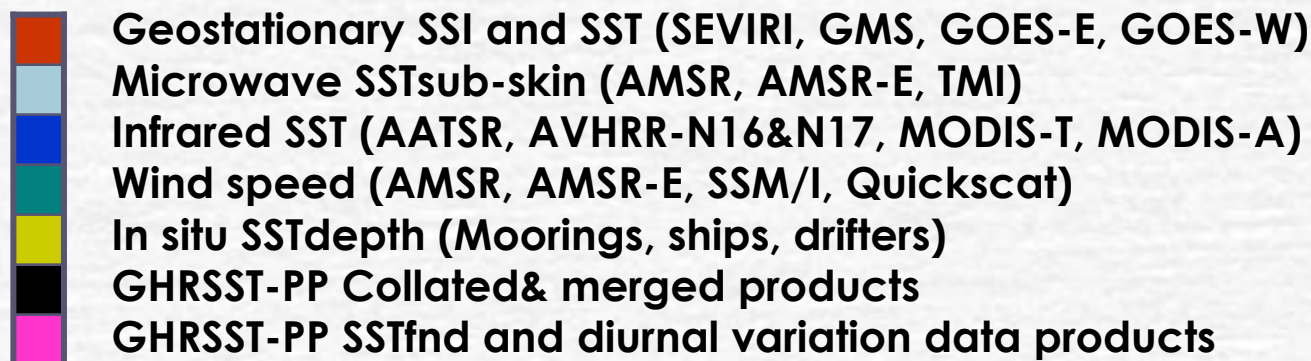


# ISDI-PMv1 Overview

- ④ 7 major processing steps
- ④ **L2 data Ingestion**
  - In situ, satellite, reference data
- ④ **L2 Pre-processing (L2P)**
  - QC at L2 pixel level, preservation of error statistics
- ④ **L2 Collation (L2C, 6 hourly)**
  - Re-gridding of L2 data, generation of grid error and confidence data
- ④ **Merging of collated data (L2M)**
  - Selection of highest quality Collated data
  - Output 6 hourly
- ④ **Global assembly**
  - Transfer of regional data to GDAC
- ④ **Analysis of merged data (A)**
  - Generation of daily SSTfnd and DV products
- ④ **Validation of all data**



# GHR SST-PP Processing Windows (PW)



Analysed Product Processing Window (APPW)

PW1

PW2

PW3

PW4

PW1 T+1

21:00

03:00

09:00

15:00

(T+1)

UTC

# GHR SST-PP SST Data Products

Characteristic	Collated SST	Merged SST	Analysed SST
<b>Grid specification</b>	1/12° 9.28 km (or 0.1°??) Equal area finally mapped to cyl. Equidistant	1/12° 9.28 km (or 0.1°??) Equal area finally mapped to cyl. Equidistant	1/12° 9.28 km (or 0.1°??) Equal area finally mapped to cyl. Equidistant
<b>Temporal resolution</b>	Native to data stream	<b>6 hours (4 processing windows centred at: 00:00, 06:00, 12:00 and 18:00 UTC)</b>	<b>24 hours (00:00 UTC)</b>
<b>Delivery timescale</b>	As available	Within 3 hours of a given processing window	Within 12 hours of an Analysed product processing window (APPW)
<b>Target accuracy</b>	Native to data stream, verified by QC procedures	< 0.5 K absolute 0.1 K relative	< 0.4 K absolute 0.1 K relative
<b>Error statistics</b>	rms. and bias for each data stream at every grid point	rms. and bias for each input data stream at every grid point	rms. and bias for each output grid point (no input data statistics are retained)
<b>Coverage</b>	Regional and global as available	Regional and Global	Global , Regional extracted
<b>SSTskin (IR) product</b>	N/A	Yes	No
<b>SSTsub-skin (MW) product</b>	N/A	Yes	No
<b>SSTfnd product</b>	No	No	Yes
<b>Confidence data</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Diurnal variation product</b>	Diurnal signal information within Confidence data	Diurnal signal information within Confidence data	Yes
<b>Nominal data format</b>	GHR SST-PP netCDF, GRIB	Hdf, GRIB, NetCDF	Hdf, GRIB, NetCDF



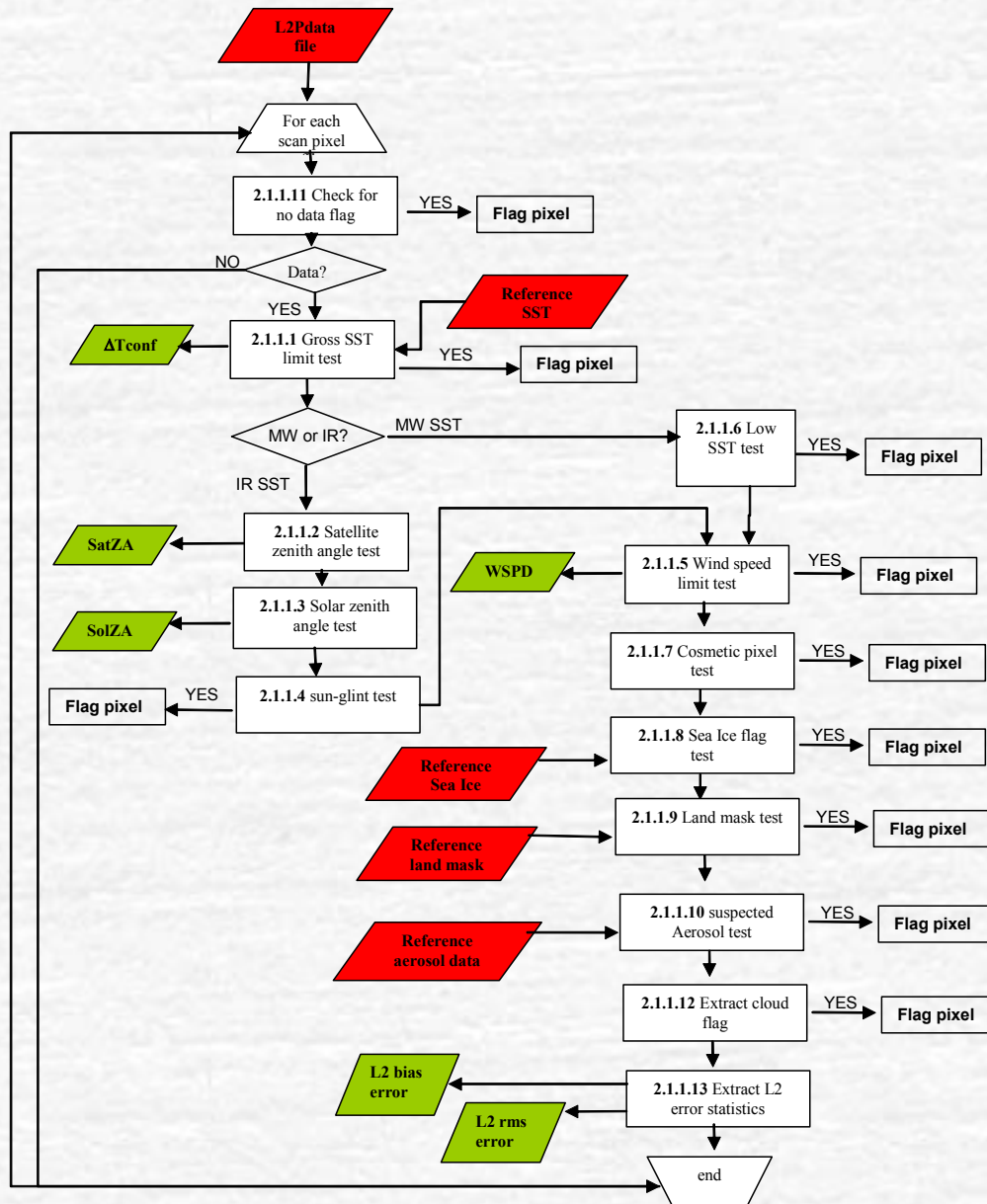
# Auxiliary data products

Characteristic	Collated (6 hourly)	Merged (6 hourly)
Surface Wind speed (u)	Yes	Yes
Surface Solar Irradiance (SSI)	Yes	Yes
Drifting buoy SST1m	Yes	Yes
Moored buoy SST1m	Yes	Yes
Ship SST5m	Yes	Yes
ARGO SST10m or SST5m ??	Yes	Yes

**All products are generated by a GHR SST-PP distributed processing system according to the rules laid out in the In situ and Satellite Data Integration Processing Model v1 (ISDI-PMv1)**

# L2P data products

- ④ An exercise in pixel by pixel quality control
- ④ Formats each L2 data stream as a GHR SST-PP L2P file
- ④ Derives a set of L2P confidence data that is used to generate L2 Collated (L2C) data products
- ④ Common confidence data is the key to GHR SST-PP success
- ④ **Most of the “work” is done at this stage of data processing.**



# Errors(1/2): L2P Proximity Confidence data

$\Delta T_{\text{confmin}}$ , (K)				
$\Delta T_0$			6 (Warm layer)	
$\Delta T_{\text{confmin}}$	3 (Acceptable)		5 (Excellent)	
$\Delta T_2$		2 (Bad)		
$\Delta T_3$			4 (Good)	
$\Delta T_4$		1 (Cloudy)	7 (Cool skin or upwelling)	
	D1	D2	>D2	D, Distance from cloudy pixel (km)

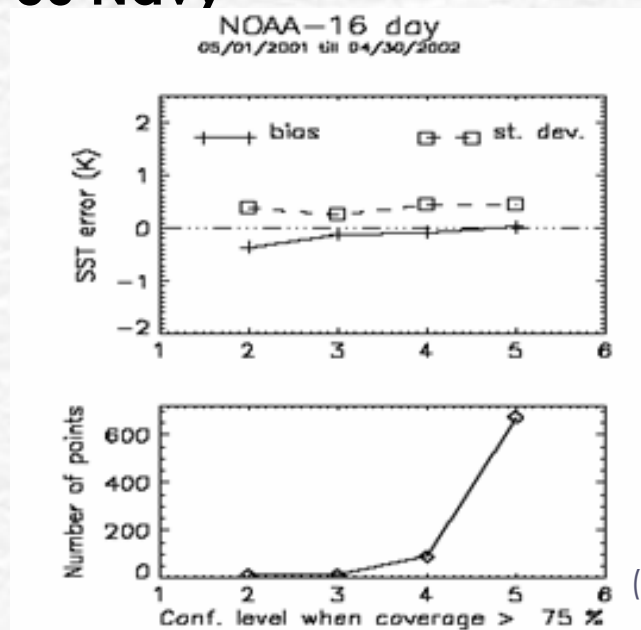
Confidence Value	Description
0	Unprocessed: Data that have not been classified
1	Cloudy: Data that are most probably contaminated by cloud
2	Bad: Data that are probably contaminated by cloud
3	Good: Data that may be contaminated by cloud or influenced by a cool skin effect (expect clear skies and low wind speeds here)
4	Acceptable: Data that are reasonably distant from cloudy areas and in good agreement with the expected reference SST threshold
5	Excellent: Data that are far from any cloudy areas and in good agreement with the expected reference SST threshold
6	Warm Layer: Data that are significantly warmer than the expected reference SST threshold and are probably influenced by significant diurnal warming.
7	Cool skin: Data are far from any clouds but significantly cooler than the expected reference SST threshold. This could be isolated cloud, upwelling or other dynamical feature or a strong cool skin deviation

$\Delta T_{\text{confmin}}$  = 10 day running mean of SSTmin from Faugere et al. (2002)  
 D1 and D2 vary according to sensor



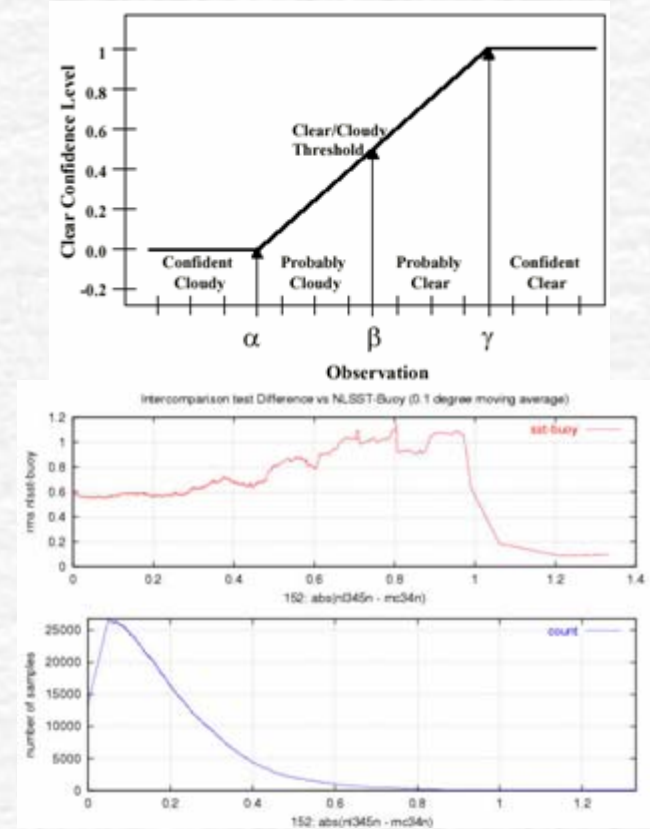
# Errors (2/2): L2P Error statistics

- ② Error estimates based on the analysis of a large match up database (MDB) of contemporaneous satellite and in situ observations
- ② Based on operational schemes developed by EUMETSAT O&SI SAF and US Navy



(Figure: P. LeBorgne)

- ② Confidence is adequate for cloud flagging and most user needs
- ② Different approaches to be resolved

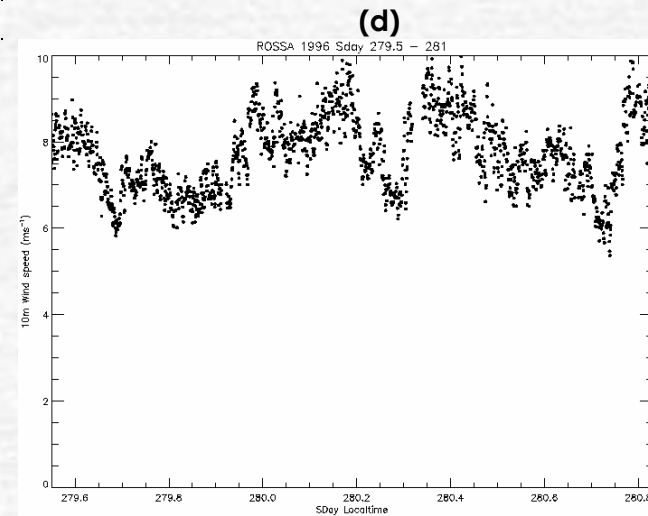
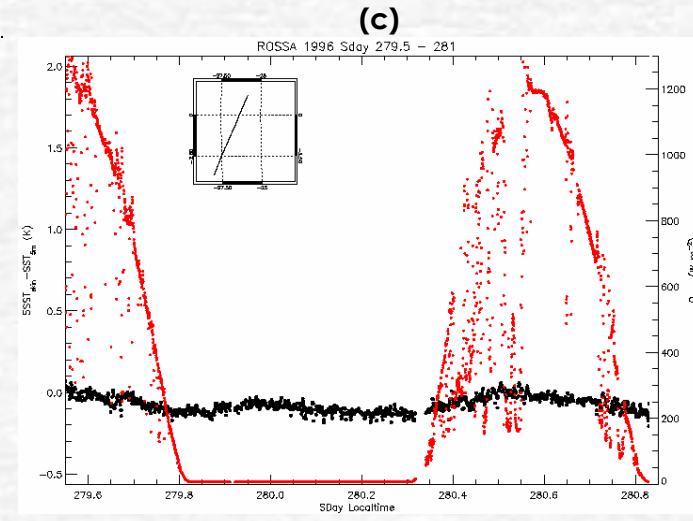
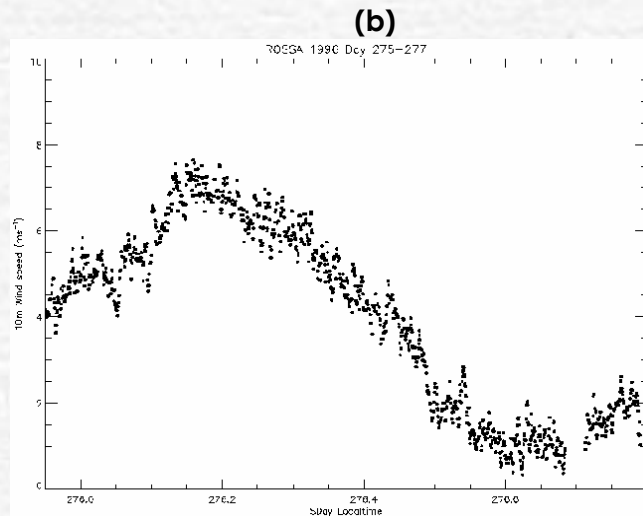
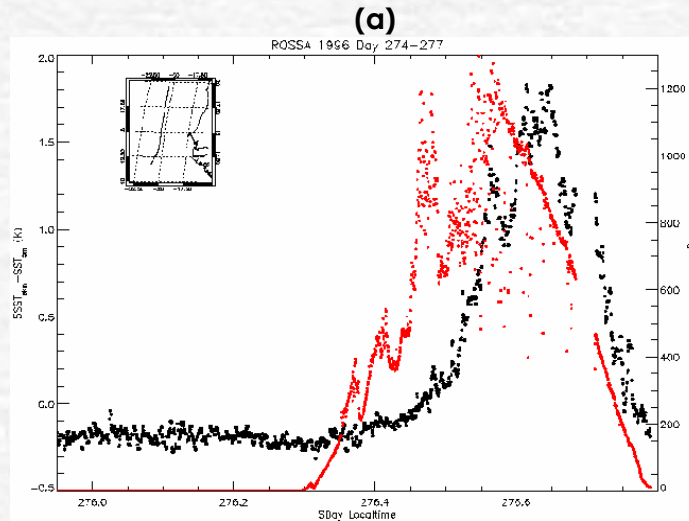


(Figures: D. May)

# Collated data products (L2C)

- ② L2C are produced for each processing window
- ② L2P data are used to populate a 1/12° equal-area grid:
  - Select the highest quality confidence L2P data
  - Select the closest L2P in time to the centre of a given processing window
  - Averaging of geostationary data and equal quality data
- ② L2C SST data products:
  - Infrared SST (SSTskin)
  - Microwave SST (SSTsub-skin)
  - in situ SST (SST1m)
- ② L2C auxiliary data products:
  - Wind speed (u)
  - Surface Solar Irradiance (SSI)
- ② Each L2C grid cell has an accompanying proximity confidence/error statistic
- ② Also includes a diurnal confidence data value and error statistic

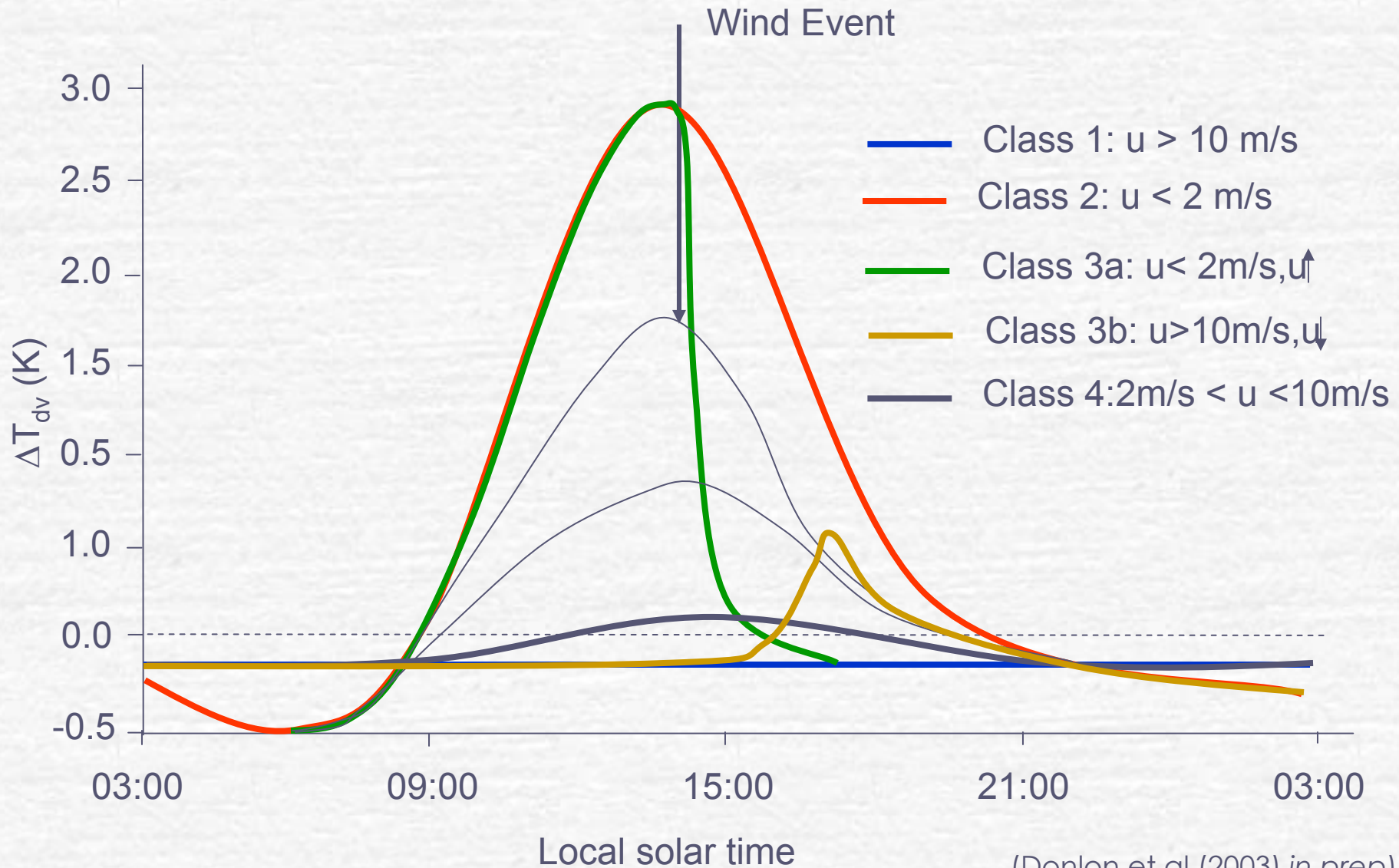
# Atlantic Observations: Case studies of cool skin and warm layer effects



(Donlon et al (2003) *in prep*)



# Idealised classification of diurnal signals



(Donlon et al (2003) *in prep*)

# Derivation of diurnal confidence data

Wind speed threshold ( $\text{ms}^{-1}$ )			
> WS3	1 (Persistent cool skin)		
< WS2	2 (Moderate cool skin)		3 (Warming)
< WS1		4 (Moderate warming)	
< WS0	6 (Strong Cool skin)		5 (Strong warming)
	SSI1 (night)	SSI2 (morning/weak)	SSI3 (afternoon/strong)
	>D2 Far from cloudy areas		>D2 Far from cloudy areas
	$\Delta T4 - \Delta T3$	$\Delta T2 - \Delta T3$	$\Delta T0$
			Surface Solar Irradiance (SSI) ( $\text{Wm}^{-2}$ )
			D (km)
			$\Delta T_{\text{conf\_fnd}}$ (K)

- WS1-WS3 are threshold values
- D1 and D2 are sensor specific threshold values
- $\Delta T_{\text{conf\_fnd}} = 10$  day running mean of SST<sub>fnd</sub>
- SSI Surface Solar Irradiance threshold values

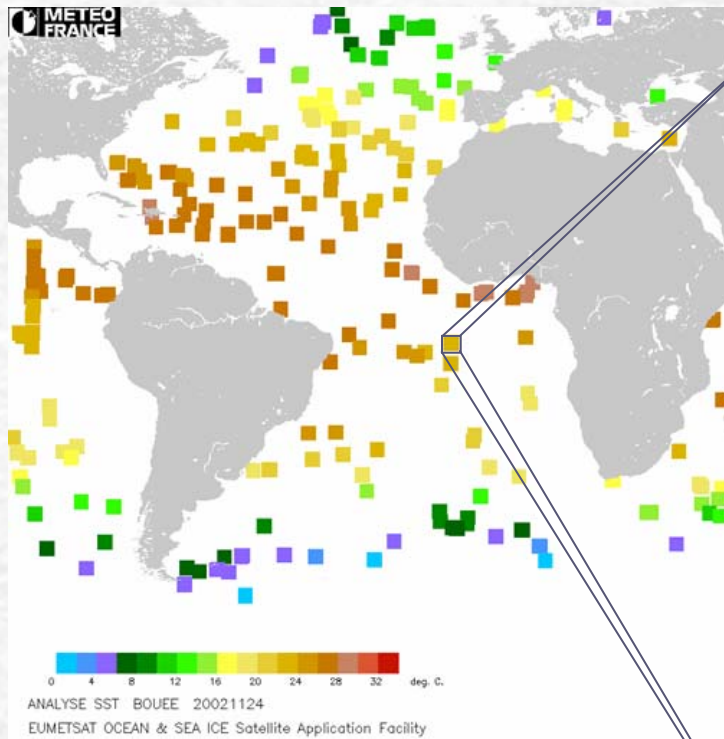
Confidence Value	Description
0	<b>Unprocessed:</b> Data are not classified due to lack of information (wind speed, SSI)
1	<b>Persistent cool skin:</b> Wind speed is sufficient to inhibit the formation of thermal stratification or significant cool skin layers. Skin effect set to -0.15 K (Donlon et al. 2002)
2	<b>Moderate cool skin:</b> A small cool skin deviation is possible
3	<b>Warming:</b> A warm layer is likely but is inhibited by wind mixing
4	<b>Moderate warming:</b> A warm layer is probable but may be limited by wind mixing
5	<b>Strong warming:</b> A significant warm layer is expected
6	<b>Strong cool skin:</b> A significant cool skin deviation is expected

Class 1

Class 3a/3b & 4

Class 2

# L2C data product: Example in situ

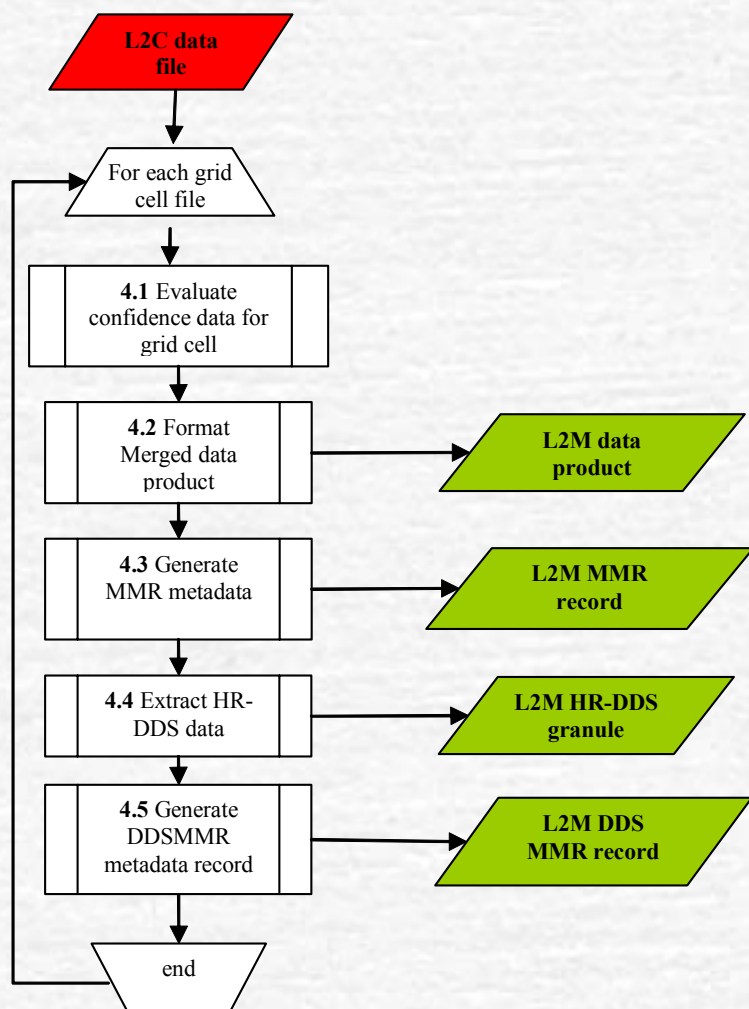


2.5 degree grid Collated  
BUOYS from 18 till 00 UTC  
used by the EUMETSAT O&SI  
SAF

Byte position	Name	Definition	Description	Units
+1bytes	L2_source	See table 4.2.1	Satellite Code	INT
+2bytes	Time	??	Grid cell acquisition time	UTC
+2bytes	L2_native_Bias	See section 5.1.1.?	Grid cell error characteristics based on L2 native confidence flags	K, SCALED INT
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+2bytes	SSI_value	See section 5.1.1.14	Near contemporaneous SSI value	Wm <sup>2</sup> , Scaled Int
+1byte	WSPD	See section 5.1.1.5	Wind speed value	Scaled byte
+2bit	Aerosol_present	See section 5.1.1.10	Suspected atmospheric Aerosol present, 0=no aerosol, 1=ative flag from L2 data stream, 3=reference data	Code
+1bit	No_L2_data	See section 5.1.1.11	No input data available	Flag
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+1byte	DV_shape	See section 6.3.4	Diurnal shape code	Code
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# Merged Data products (L2M)



Based on L2C data for a given PW – a selection procedure

Rules for L2M:

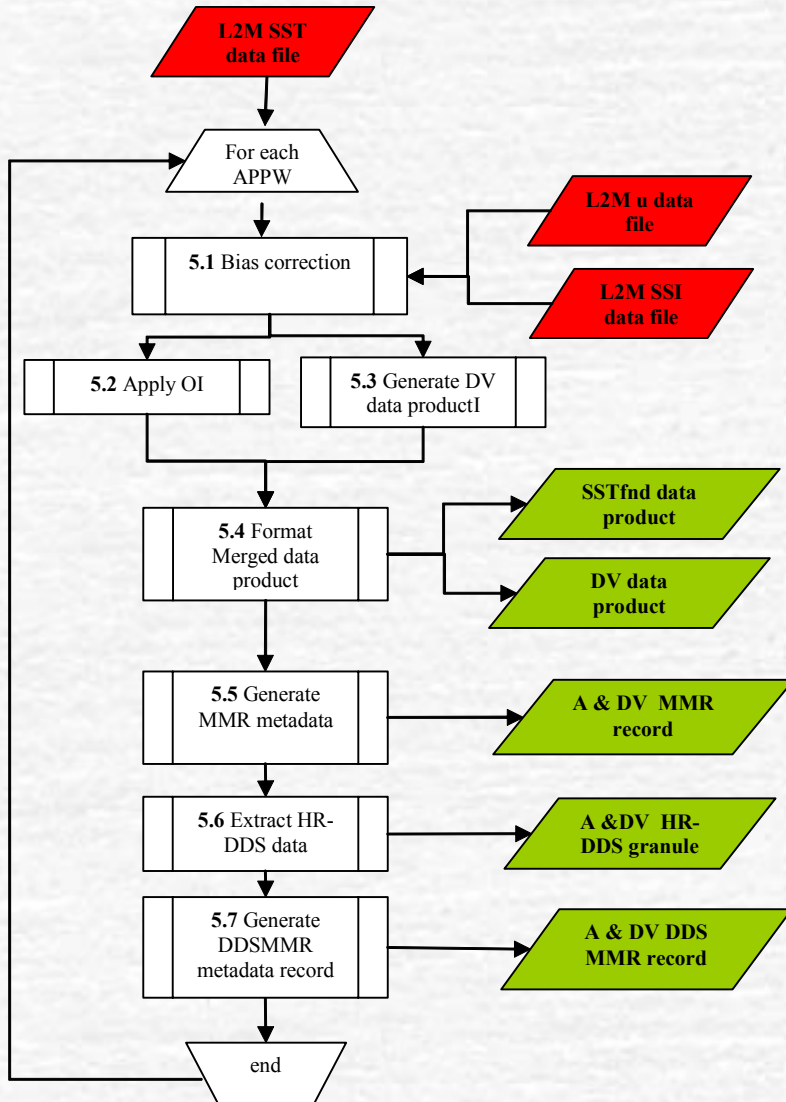
- Select the highest quality confidence L2C
- Select the closest L2C in time to the centre of a given processing window

Also: *a priori* selection of data by satellite sensor e.g.:

- **IR:** AATSR, MODIS, AVHRR
- **GEO:** SEVIRI, GOES; GOES, GMS
- **MW:** AMSR | AMSR-E, TMI
- **U:** AMSR | AMSR-E, TMI, SSM/I

Work in progress

# Analysed data products (A and DV)



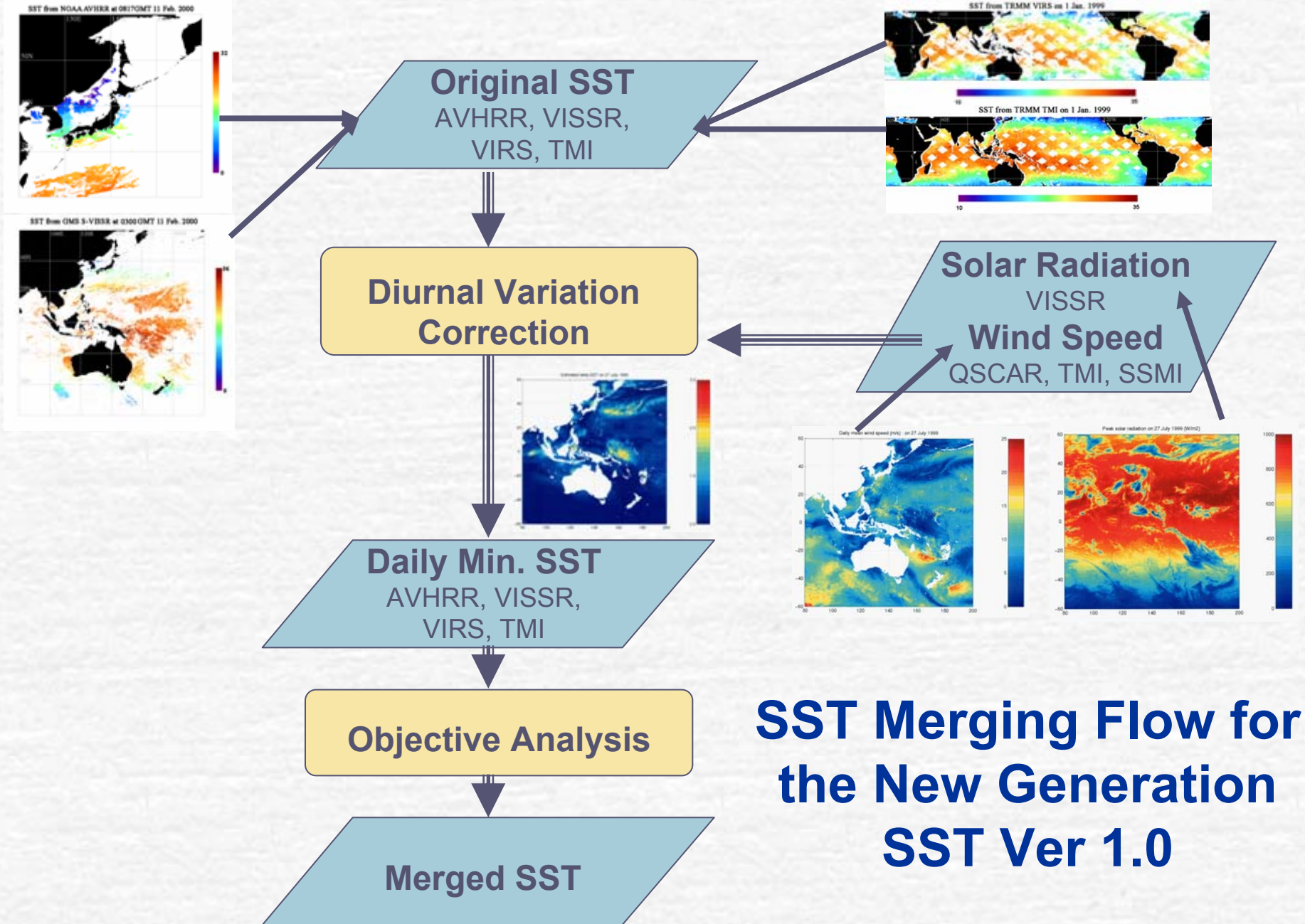
‘A family’ products (SSTfnd): Based on the New Generation SST method developed by the U. Tohoku, Japan.

- Bias adjustment scheme relative to “daily minimum SST”
- Optimal interpolation
- v2 uses Variable decorrelation length scales
- Error statistics and confidence data for each grid cell
- Cool skin layer effects may be accounted for using Donlon et al. (2002) parameterisation scheme.



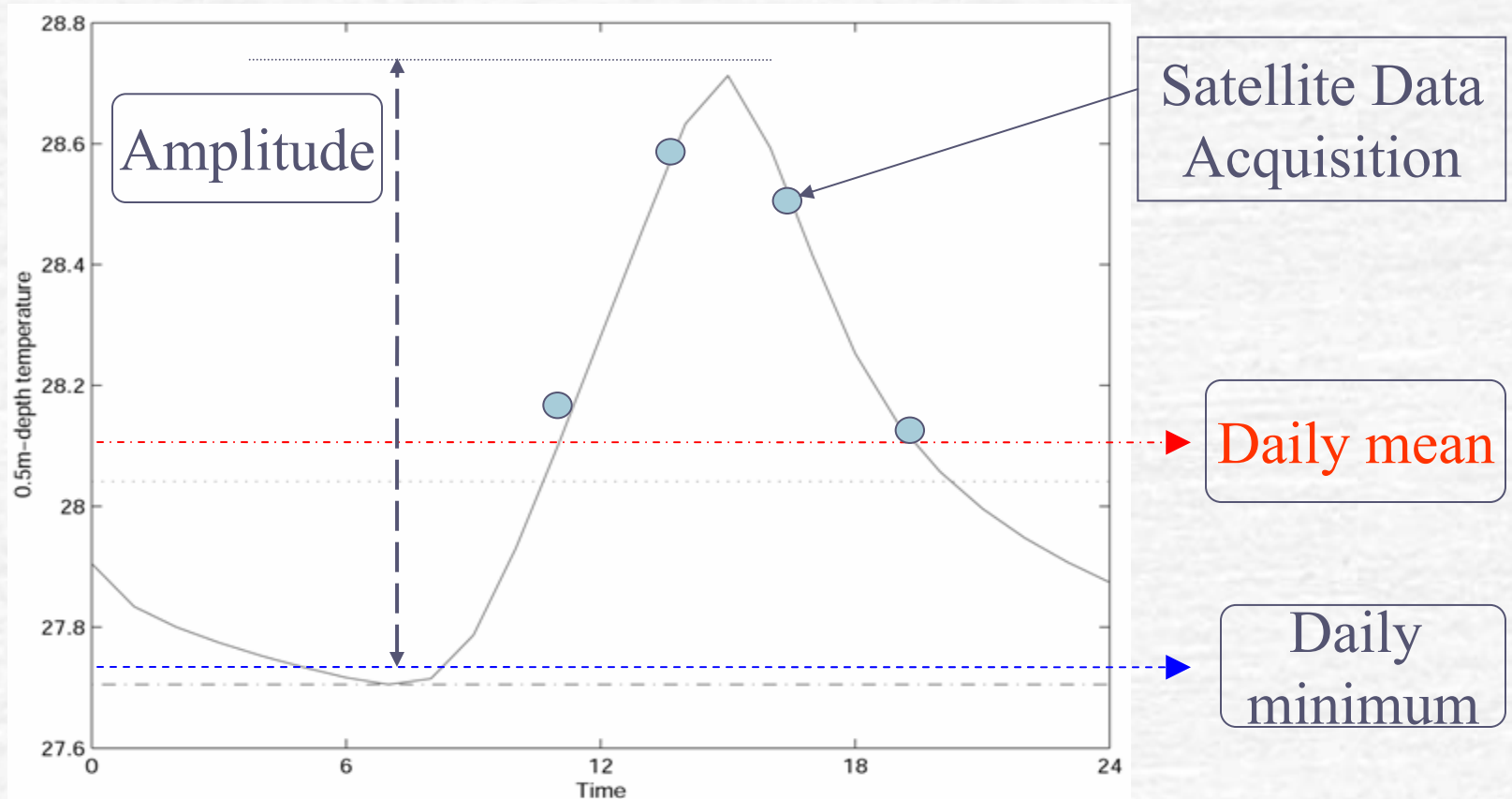
Diurnal Variation (DV) product based on new approach (work in progress – see later)

- Library of DV signature shapes
- Use u and SSI together with dT to select the most appropriate



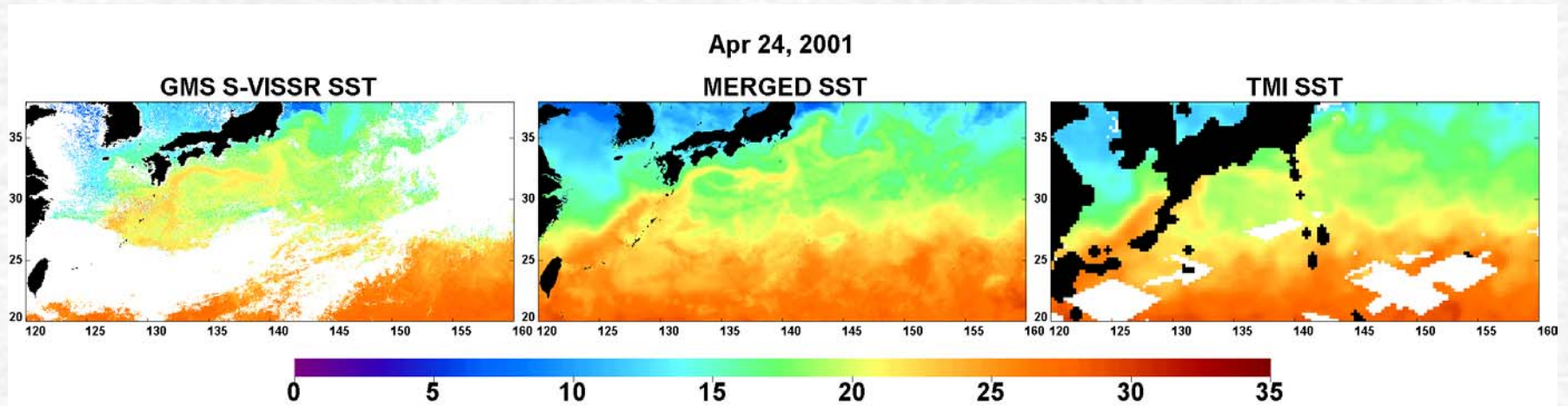


# NGSSTv1 bias correction scheme



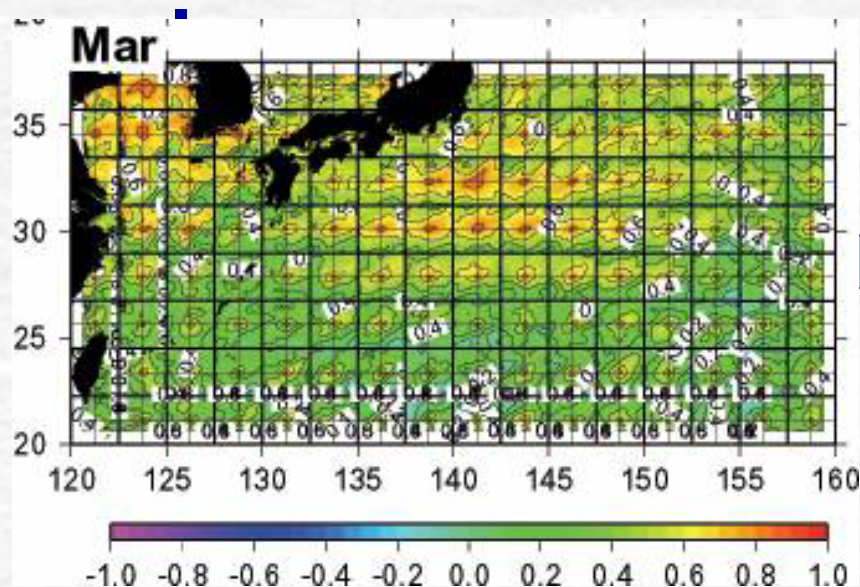
- ④ Simulate SST diurnal variations by the one-dimensional surface-layer model (Kawai and Kawamura, 2000)
- ④ Shift a satellite-derived SST to a daily standard value by a regression formula

# New Generation Sea Surface Temperature v1.0: example

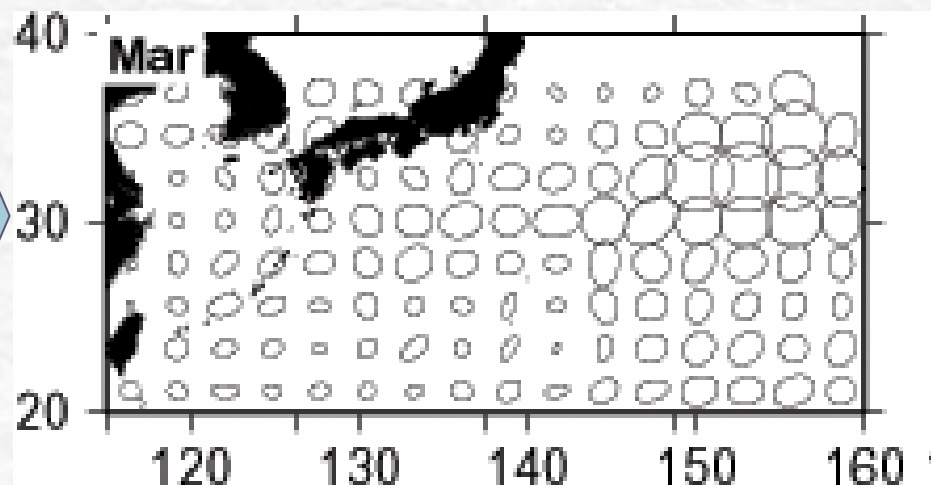


**High-resolution Cloud-free Daily SST Products**  
**5-km spatial and 24-hour temporal resolution**

# NGSSTv2: Monthly regional decorrelation



**Correlation matrix for March**



**Decorrelation scale for March**

- Ⓢ Since Tokyo workshop, NGSST-v1 has been extended
- Ⓢ Decorrelation scale, e-folding scale of SST variability for each month and region
- Ⓢ Spatial O (2-3 degree) and temporal order (2-3 day); strongly inhomogeneous, anisotropic and time-dependent (Note NGSSTv1 used fixed scales of 100km, 3day)
- Ⓢ Scales are mainly defined by atmospheric variability



# Status of regional projects and funding

# Overall Status of GHR SST-PP

- ⌚ Planning and organisation is accelerating: **GHR SST-PP is maturing nicely.**
- ⌚ **International agreement** has been reached on the **Processing model** and a technical document is in prep.
- ⌚ Considerable resources have been made available by JPL PO.DAAC (computing facilities and data.access/archive) for implementation of the UIS and a GDAC facility.
- ⌚ Users are beginning to refer to the GHR SST-PP as a source of SST data for future projects.
- ⌚ Data management plans are now maturing.
- ⌚ Technical challenges of data exchange are not properly addressed yet.
- ⌚ Project Office to coordinate GHR SST-PP is timely

# Key Regional Project Developments

## 🌐 Japan:

- GHRST-PP AMSR data server (next week?)
- Development of NGSST-v2 to be adopted by GHRST-PP (March)
- User community developing well. E.g., experimental collaboration with JMA for operational users
- **Status excellent: developing activities and new funding**

## 🌐 Europe:

- Project coordination is *ad hoc* currently based at the European Commission. A GHRST-PP International Project Office will open in Sept 2003 based at the UK Met Office, funded by ESA and the Met Office.
- EU RDAC Medspiration project in preparation (1MEuro, Start Dec 2003) DRD accepted, DPM in prep. Need the GHRST-PP ISDI-PMv1 first!!
- ESA GHRST-PP AATSR data server (March?)
- HR-DDS pilot complete at JRC.
- User community developing rapidly with several projects planning to use GHRST-PP products (e.g., MERSEA-IP, ECMWF, Met Office, Mercator).
- **Status good: developing activities and new funding**



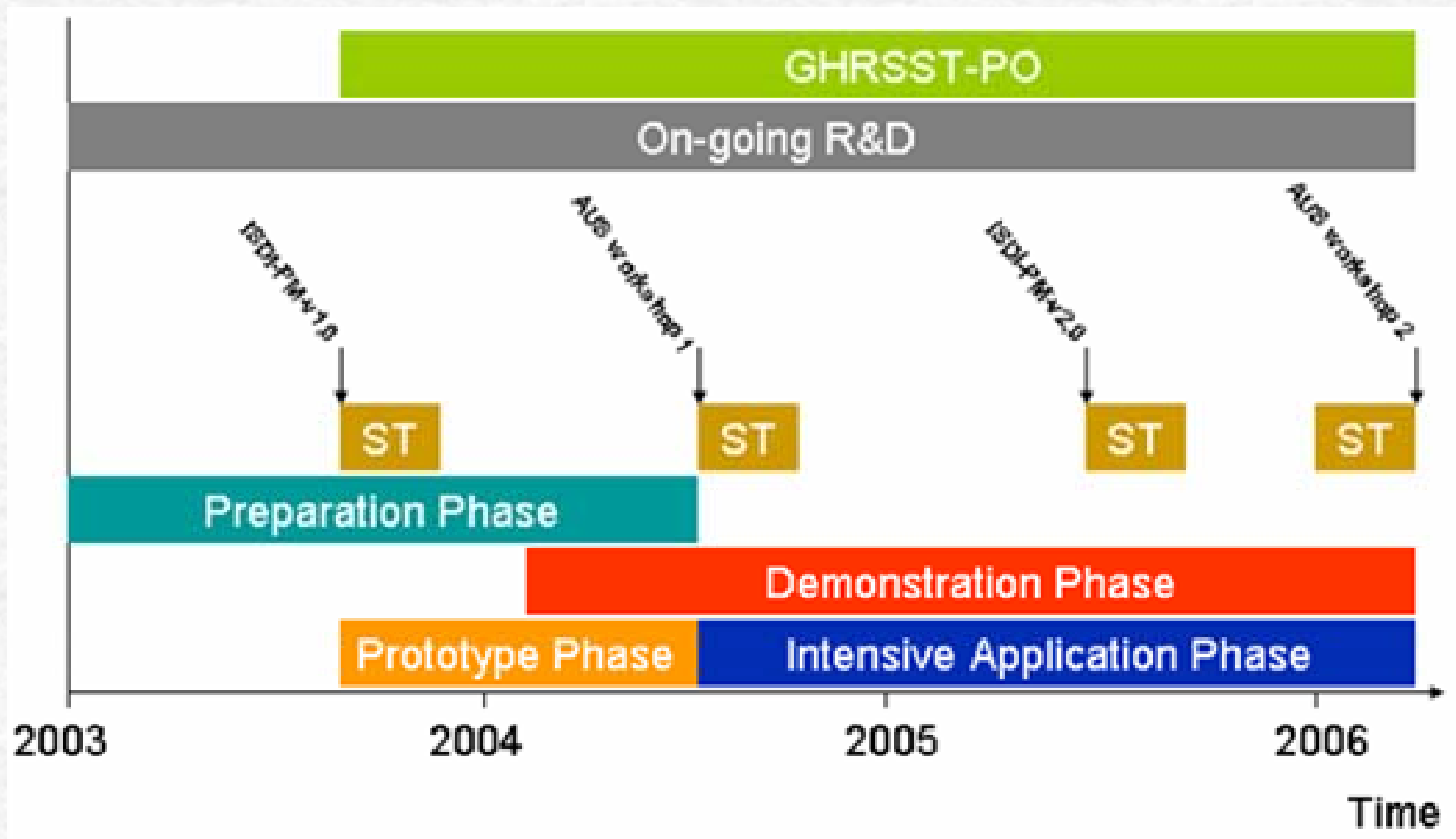
# Key Regional Project Developments

## Ⓢ USA:

- RDAC project proposal in preparation (NASA REASoN)
- In situ validation activities planned as part of a NOPP proposal (\$0.5M)
- Establish GDAC and MMR at JPL PO.DAAC
- REMSS delivery of TMI/AMSR/SSM/I data streams via www
- User community developing slowly. Users are often the producers...
- UIS components in discussion after 3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop
- JPL to host 4<sup>th</sup> GHR SST-PP workshop in late 2003 (Sept/Oct)
- **Status good: developing but fractionated**

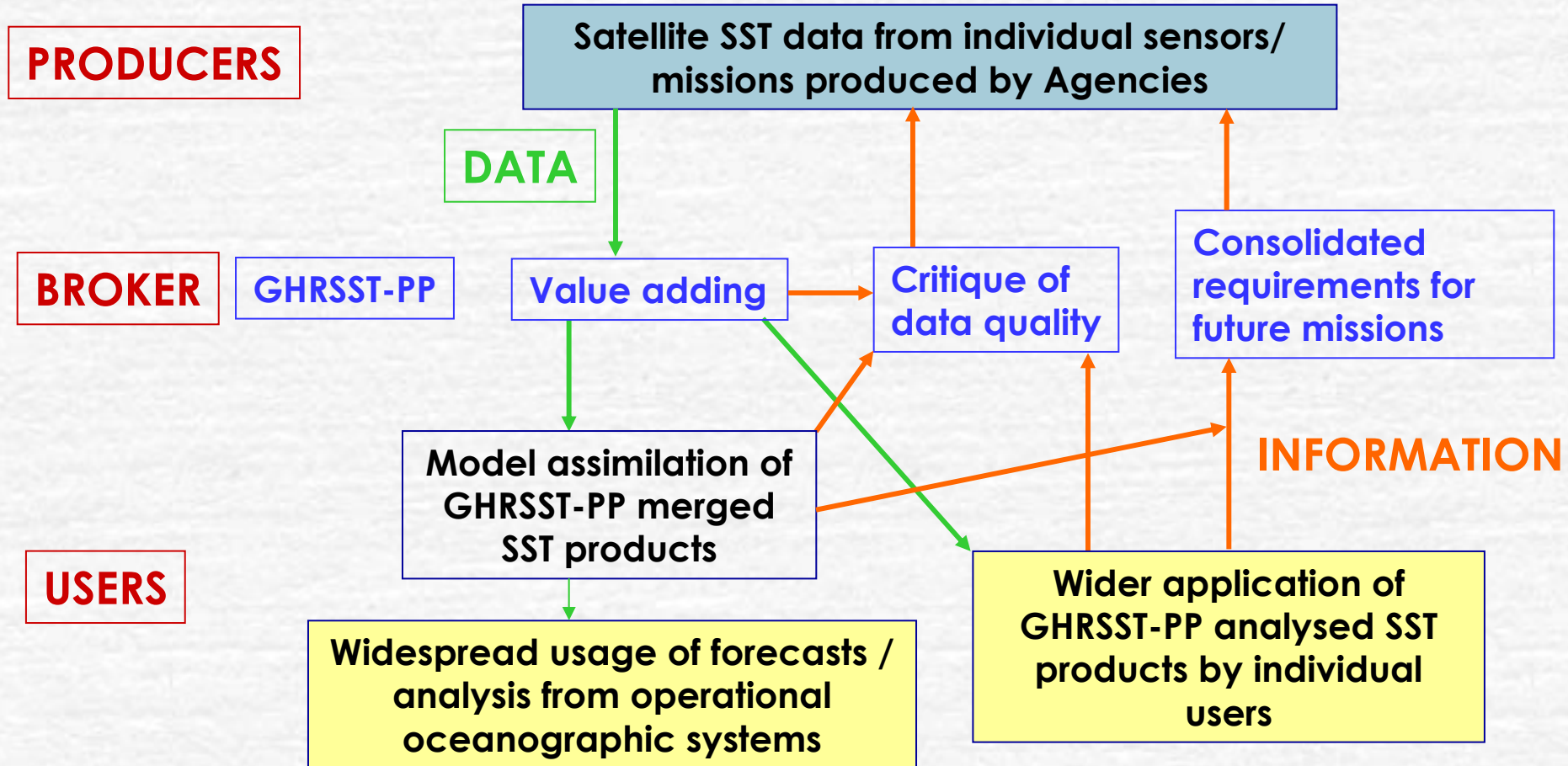
# Conclusions

# GHRST-PP Implementation Schedule





# Conclusions: A view of the role of the GHR SST -PP



# The end

